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Schools showing big improvement

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SCHOOLS in Haverhill have improved by almost three times the national average since the town's middle schools closed, councillors will be told next week.

A report before Suffolk County Council's Cabinet on Tuesday gives attainment levels for Suffolk schools during 2012, including the county's Key Stage Two results.

The report says that the Schools Organisation Review, which began by moving from a three-tier to a two-tier system in Haverhill and Lowestoft ahead of the rest of the county, is starting to show some excellent results.

Schools in Haverhill and Lowestoft are now outperforming schools elsewhere in the county in terms of improvement.

Haverhill schools are showing a 13 per cent improvement, compared to a 5 per cent national improvement, and schools in north Lowestoft are showing a 10 per cent improvement.

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Schools getting better

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Although Suffolk has a history of underperformance at Key Stage Two, attainment levels have seen year-on-year improvements since 2009.

Some of the recent improvements include 9 per cent in performance at the Early Years level compared to 5 per cent nationally.

The number of primary schools considered to be below standard has significantly reduced since 2009 from more than 30 schools to 11 in 2012.

Provisional A-level results for 2012 show a strong increase on last year. On average, in Suffolk, the number of points per student for A-levels compared to last year means that students scored one grade higher than previous years.

Cllr Graham Newman, Suffolk County Council's cabinet member for education and young people, said: "Whilst it is

essential that we continue to implement our immediate improvement plans, it is also important to recognise that there are a number of schools that are seeing year-on-year improvement in performance.

"With 21 schools judged as having improved under the new, stricter Ofsted inspection criteria introduced last September, parents are more likely to have their children attend a 'good' or 'outstanding' school than in previous years.

Suffolk County Council's new director for children's services, Sue Cook, said: "I am certain that by working together with head teachers, governors, school staff and parents, Suffolk's schools will soon begin to climb the league tables."

To view the full cabinet report visit: <http://committeeminutes.suffolkcc.gov.uk/meeting.aspx?d=26/Feb/2013&c=The%20Cabinet>.



Youngsters have designs on flying the flag for town

ARTISTIC youngsters got the chance to create designs for new flags to fly in the town centre this summer.

Last summer Haverhill's flag display to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the Olympics received an overwhelmingly positive response. Now the town will be putting the flags out again this summer to create a Flag Festival.

Haverhill Town Council is working with Haverhill-based company The Design Office to plan the event.

The Flag Festival for this year aims to get inspiration for the seasonal designs from the residents of

Haverhill and invited people to submit pictures and images or take part in a special half term event. Four designs for flags depicting representations of the four seasons will be created, each incorporating the CB9 logo. These will go up in the High Street and the Market Square. There will also be bunting along High Street and Queen Street.

The event on Monday was a drop-in workshop where those taking part had the chance to develop their own seasonal flag designs, assisted by artists. Alternatively, people can create their own designs

and e-mail them to flags@cb9haverhill.co.uk

Town clerk, Will Austin said: "The town council are keen to build on the spirit of their 2012 project. Haverhill's display was commented upon by visitors from near and far and attracted a good deal of media attention, helping to promote the town. Our aim this year is to repeat that success, with the addition of residents' involvement in the design, giving the project a real sense of community ownership. With the help of the town we are fast becoming the flag capital of Europe." Rebecca Bacon, from



Making flags: from front Daisy Alexander, 2, Georgie Austin, 3, Emily Austin, 4, and Gracie Alexander, 5; above left, Caitlin Benham, 11, with Jack Luckett 2.

Picture: Richard Patterson 895248/247

The Design Office, said "We are delighted that the special edition logo we developed for Haverhill 2012 was such a success. We are looking forward to getting ideas from the wider community to produce more flag designs that are unique to

Haverhill." Project manager, Nick Keeble, said: "We hope to raise the Spring flag up the St Mary's flagpole in April. The other designs will be displayed in the town centre from the first day of summer and throughout the summer holidays."

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County tax bill to be frozen for third year

COUNCILLORS have agreed to freeze their share of council tax bills for the third consecutive year.

Suffolk county councillors debated the authority's 2013/14 budget for two and a half hours, before making the decision which means Suffolk residents will not pay any more than they did in 2010/11 for county council services.

While delivering a third council tax freeze in as many years, the budget sees front line services protected while savings of £24.9 million are made. These include council-wide efficiency savings and cutting bureaucracy - £9.7 million, intervening

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earlier in adult care to save on care at a later stage - £7 million, targeting resources in children's services to reduce demand - £2.5 million, re-letting the county's highways maintenance contract - £2 million, reducing office accommodation by co-locating staff - £1.3 million, working with district and borough councils to reduce the cost of waste services - £0.8 million and cutting management costs - £0.5 million.

Cllr Jane Storey, cabinet member for finance, said: "The savings that we have agreed are significant and will require continued firm management in

2013/14 and future years.

"Last year we made a commitment to focus savings on the back office to protect, as far as possible, the front line. This budget delivers on that commitment. Tough decisions have had to be made to address the speed at which funding has been withdrawn from the county council.

"Looking forward, it seems that further reductions will be coming our way. But as long as the county council is open with the public about the challenges and works with its partners and staff to find ways of overcoming them, we will be able to manage these changes."

By cutting the number of senior managers, strictly managing

vacancies and transferring services and staff to new or existing organisations, the council's workforce headcount (excluding schools) is expected to almost halve from 10,456 in April 2010 to 5,613 by March 2013.

The 2013/14 budget has been designed to enable the council to continue to manage the unprecedented financial challenges that face the whole public sector.

The council has experienced significant grant reductions as a result of the Coalition Government's deficit reduction programme. To date the council has delivered £42.5 million of savings in 2011/12 and is on track to deliver £26.2 million in 2012/13.

Brisk trade in beef joints for village butcher

A BUTCHER who has supplied sausages to the Queen says he is constantly running out of beef joints and beef burgers in the wake of the recent national horse meat scare.

Paul Morris spent 28 years working as an analytical chemist before taking voluntary redundancy and buying his butcher's shop at Kedington three years ago.

A complete novice to the trade, he had help from the former owner and also from butcher Mark Prentice. Paul said it was a sharp learning curve at first, but has no regrets about his career change.

He said: "I was born and bred in Haverhill where there used to be lots of butchers, but

there aren't any now, which is really sad.

"We make our own sausages such as Red Leicester and red onion and sweet chilli. We have supplied them to Sandringham and some people who moved to Brighton come back and buy 50 lbs at a time.

"We buy all our meat from Suffolk, with good quality Riverside beef and Dingley Dell pork. We supply a lot of pubs and restaurants. We have seen probably a 20 to 25 per cent increase since the horse meat scare. People want to be sure that what they are eating is beef. I cannot buy it fast enough to keep up with demand at the moment."



In demand: butcher Paul Morris.

Research park website put in special archive

A NEW research park is to have its development recorded for posterity at a special archive in the British Library.

Work began at the end of last year to put in the infrastructure for the Haverhill Research Park, which is expected to create hundreds of new jobs.

It has now being given the distinction of having its website selected by the British Library to be featured in a special archive available through the Cambridge Network.

The archive is intended to become a valuable digital resource, documenting the evolution of the vibrant high technology cluster of Cambridge businesses and academic institutions.

Nic Rumsey, the director of Carisbrooke Investments, the developer of the Haverhill Research Park, said: "The inclusion in the British Library's collection is a tremendous honour, and we are delighted to share our website content with such a respected institution."

The British Library uses strict guidelines for selecting websites to be featured in this archive.

According to the collection policy, a site which they believe carries national importance, reflects the diversity of the UK, or contains valuable research is eligible for inclusion. It is their hope that the collection will continue to grow over the years and become an important public resource.

The Cambridge Network is a select organisation which facilitates collaboration and partnership among business professionals and academics in Cambridge.

Low rate over no TV licence

MORE than 140 people were caught watching TV without a licence in Haverhill during 2012.

This compares to over 110 in Newmarket, more than 180 in Sudbury and over 300 in Bury St Edmunds.

The average evasion rate remains at a low of just over 5 per cent, meaning almost 95 per cent of homes are correctly licensed.

Victoria Sykes, TV Licensing spokesperson, said: "The overwhelming majority of people ensure that they are correctly licensed."

"In order to be fair to the law-abiding majority who do pay for their licence, we'll continue to pursue the small minority of people who do not pay."

"We do understand some people may find it difficult to pay in one go, which is why we offer numerous ways to spread the cost."

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A colour TV licence currently costs £145.50 and is required by anyone watching or recording TV programmes as they are shown on TV, whether they are using a TV set, computer, or any other equipment. For information, visit www.tvlicensing.co.uk.



Cheque it out: from left, Christopher Gurteen, Marty House, David Pearse, Dennis Backler and Roy Brazier.

Picture: Richard Patterson 8952749

Councillor's cash boost to history centre

A HISTORY centre which was recently saved from the threat of closure has received a welcome cash boost from a county councillor.

Anne Gower presented a cheque for £720 to Haverhill History Centre, based at Haverhill Arts Centre.

The donation comes from her locality budget and will be used to purchase

archival storage materials for photographs and newspapers at the centre, which is run by Haverhill and District Local History Group.

Chairman Roy Brazier said: "Photographs and local newspapers are amongst our most popular resources."

"This generous donation from Cllr Gower will help house our ever growing collections

in the best way possible."

"The History Centre relies on donations like these to provide the people of Haverhill and surrounding area local access to archives."

For more information on the History Centre and Haverhill and District Local History Group, see their website <http://haverhistory.webplus.net>.

Injured baby left for 8 hours without help

A HAVERHILL couple failed to seek immediate medical help for their injured baby, a court has heard.

Despite family members advising that urgent action was required, nothing was done to help the child, who was suffering with a fractured right arm, for eight hours.

During that time the baby – who along with the parents cannot be identified for legal reasons – appeared to be in pain whenever the arm was touched.

On Thursday at Ipswich Crown Court the parents – aged 22 and 21 – were sentenced after pleading guilty to neglecting to obtain

medical care for the child, who was less than a year old.

Prosecutor Charles Myatt said that eight hours after family members were asked for advice, the baby was eventually taken to a doctor's surgery but not the one nearest the parents' home.

After briefly visiting the Christmas Maltings Surgery on the morning of September 11, 2011, they arrived at the Clements Practice where after initially saying the baby had colic they referred to problems with the child's arm.

Mr Myatt said that as a result the baby was taken to Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge where a

spiral fracture was diagnosed.

The injury was believed to be "non-accidental", said Mr Myatt, prompting the involvement of social services and the police.

Angela Rafferty, appearing for the baby's mother, said it was a "tragic case" resulting from a short-lived incident.

Appearing for the father, Lindsay Cox said he accepted that action should have been taken sooner and regretted not having done so.

Judge David Goodin said both parents would be made the subject of community orders with a requirement to carry out 150 hours of unpaid community work.

MP welcomes plans to stop youngsters re-offending

NEW plans to help young offenders turn their backs on crime have been welcomed by West Suffolk MP Matthew Hancock.

The new proposals from Conservative Justice Secretary Chris Grayling explore a radically different approach.

His 'Transforming Youth Custody: Putting Education at the Heart of Detention' aims to deliver value for the taxpayer,

reduce re-offending and set young offenders on the path to a better life.

At present, the average cost of a youth custodial place is £100,000 a year – with some as much as £200,000 – while 73 per cent of young offenders who leave custody re-offend within a year.

Mr Hancock said: "Tackling re-offending is vital if we are going to turn troubled young people

away from a life of crime."

"One of the best ways we can help young offenders return to normality is through education, giving them the skills to get on in life and make a contribution to society."

"Having the right skills is essential for all young people but for young offenders can make the difference between becoming part of a community and re-

offending within a year."

"I urge local youth charities, education experts and other interested parties in West Suffolk to get involved in the consultation."

Mr Grayling added: "We cannot go on just doing more of the same, pouring more money into a system which doesn't work in the hope of a different outcome. That doesn't make any sense to the taxpayer."

Parked car targeted in two vandalism attacks

A CAR was vandalised twice in the space of five days while it was in a parking area.

Police are appealing for witnesses after a blue Renault Clio was subjected to two separate incidents of criminal damage while parked in Apple Acre Road, adjacent to Brybank Road, in Haverhill.

In the first offence a tar-like substance was poured over the car's windscreen and bonnet between 6pm and 10.30pm on Thursday, February 14.

The vehicle was then subjected to further damage between 9am on Monday, February 18 and noon on Tuesday 19 February. On this occasion both of the front tyres were punctured.

Anyone who saw any suspicious activity in relation to these crimes or who has any information relating to them, should contact PC Daniel Aston at Haverhill Police Station on 101, or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

Evening of laughter is guaranteed with Arthur

COMEDIAN, writer, broadcaster and all-round British institution Arthur Smith will be appearing at an arts centre next month.

Audiences are invited to join him and bask in an evening of laughter and off the wall humour, with one of the 'alternative comedians' who shook up the world of light entertainment in the 80s and 90s.

He will be at Haverhill Arts Centre on Friday, March 22 at 8pm.

Tickets are £15, available from www.haverhillartscentre.co.uk or by calling (01440) 714140.

Expect an evening of sublime playfulness, crammed with jokes, anecdotes, short stories, poems, songs and readings from his recently published memoir *My Name Is Daphne Fairfax* which has won praise from literary critics.

A BBC regular, well known for his appearances on TV's *Grumpy Old Men*, *Q.I.*, *Have I Got News For You*, *The One Show*, Radio 4's *Loose Ends*, *Baham Bash*, and host of Radio 4 Extra's *Comedy Club*, and Radio 2's *Smith Lectures*.

He is a Spirit of The Fringe award-winning Edinburgh Festival stalwart and Olivier nominated playwright for *An Evening With Gary Lineker*.

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Jobs agency wins top award

HAVERHILL recruitment agency 1st Stop Recruitment won an award for the best stand at the recent *Cambridge News* Jobs Fair.

It was the first time that the agency had attended the event, run by our sister paper, and the stand was designed and manned by its two new members of staff, permanent recruitment consultant Lily Bagshaw and sales and marketing assistant Keeley Smith.

Lily and Keeley decorated the stand with enticing 1st Stop cupcakes, balloons and a modern clean look.

The prize, a bottle of champagne and a box of chocolates, was presented to 1st Stop Recruitment by the *Cambridge News* after they won the people's choice vote for the best stand.

Established in 2000, 1st Stop Recruitment is the longest serving recruitment agency in Haverhill, and based in the town centre.

Lesley Whiting, Director, said: "This was the first time that 1st Stop attended the *Cambridge News* Jobs Fair so we were thrilled to win best stand out of the 30 stands at the event.

"Lily and Keeley are new to the team and they come with really creative ideas and a huge amount of enthusiasm.

"Their stand was busy throughout the day and we now have over 100 new applicants for whom we are working very hard to find them their dream job."



Let them eat cakes: from left, Keeley Smith and Lily Bagshaw.

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Council's £35k land gift to provide affordable homes

COUNCILLORS have agreed to give a town centre site worth around £35,000 to a housing group so that affordable homes can be built there.

Members of St Edmundsbury Borough Council's Cabinet agreed to gift the half acre plot in Eden Road, Haverhill, to Havebury Housing Partnership, which plans to develop a scheme of three two-bedroom houses on the council's vacant site.

It is planned that this development will complement the scheme of seven flats currently being built by Havebury, over its new offices, on adjoining land fronting the High Street.

The land was originally offered to Havebury at an opening price of £23-25,000, based on a comparative land sales value for residential development, discounted to reflect that it is to be used for affordable units.

Councillors were told that Havebury proposes to fund the scheme from its own resources, as there is no additional social housing grant available. If the council required Havebury to buy the land, the scheme might become unviable and not proceed. If

approved, Havebury could start on the new homes as soon as its current development is completed.

It was agreed to gift the land, with the requirement that it remains in perpetuity in affordable housing use.

The scheme's viability will be reappraised at completion, and a return made to the council, if the scheme improves its profitability.

The report to the Cabinet said the land has been included for many years in the council's register of unused sites. It had never been marketed as a private housing plot, mainly because until recently an ownership problem concerning part of the land remained a barrier to sale. That has recently been resolved with the Land Registry.

It was fenced, but had from time to time been subject to damage to the boundaries and illegal dumping. Havebury is currently using the council land for materials storage.

Councillors were told that they could sell land at less than its value or gift it in order to provide more affordable homes for rent, of which there is a current shortage.



On parade: Samuel Ward Academy pupils with, middle back row from left, Alex Armstrong, firefighter, Paul Ricketts, watch commander, Pat Hanlon Haverhill mayor, Elizabeth Hunte, cover supervisor/organiser; below, pupils in action.

Pictures: David Johnson 894839 / 894844



Young firefighters on parade after six-week safety course

PUPILS from an academy stood to attention for a passing out parade at their local fire station.

The group of 12 Year 9 students from Samuel Ward Academy in Haverhill were taking part in the parade at Haverhill Fire Station, after completing a six-week Youth Firefighter course.

Certificates were presented to them by town mayor Pat

Hanlon and fire station watch commander Paul Ricketts.

The students were given some basic fire training, including using ladders, breathing apparatus training on how to move about in smoke and darkness, fire prevention advice, and also carried out fire safety checks in their own homes.

Mr Ricketts said: "We carried out interviews with 30

people applying and 12 selected.

"We gave them the same sort of basic training that we get, and they were brilliant. They all developed from it and the parents said they could see a change in them.

"It was the first time we had done this with Samuel Ward as a bit of a pilot and we hope to do it again in future."

Old mobiles collection will help Oliver learn



Collection point: Samantha Last and son Oliver.

Picture: Warren Gunn 895890

A SINGLE mum is hoping to collect enough old mobile phones to be able to exchange them for an iPad with a special app for her autistic son.

Oliver Bryant, 4, is due to start school in September and mum Samantha Last believes the app would really help him to improve his learning skills before then.

The charity Hearts and Minds will provide the iPad – which would cost around £400 to buy – and an app especially designed for people with autism in exchange for 185 phones.

So far Samantha, of Pipers Close, Haverhill, has managed to collect 40, but is struggling to find more.

The phones can be up to 10 years old, do not need to be working and can be cracked or damaged, as long as they have a battery.

Oliver was diagnosed with autism just before his third birthday, and Samantha said it was a relief to find out what was causing his delayed development.

He did not walk until he was nearly two, had very restricted speech and other behavioural 'quirks' and problems.

Samantha said: "I was quite taken

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aback, more surprised than anything, but it did make sense of quite a lot of things.

"He has low muscle function and hyper mobility.

"He can walk now, but not any distance, and has a special buggy.

"Since he has been diagnosed he has made huge progress, you can understand what he is saying now and we can work on his fine motor skills.

"He has quite poor concentration and he gets very frustrated. The iPad comes with a Grace App, which is specifically designed for people with autism."

Samantha added: "He is going to mainstream school and I don't know how he is going to get on, but I would like to get the iPad as quickly as possible.

"As a mother you do anything that you can to try and help your child get along."

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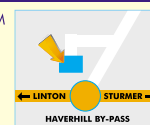
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Sir, I'd like to express my side of the story regarding the yellow lines that have appeared along Burton End (Residents outcry over 'sudden' yellow lines, *Weekly News*, February 14).

I have been a resident along Burton End for over three years and welcome the extension of the yellow lines in certain locations.

I purchased a property with a driveway and a dropped kerb. However people's complete disregard for keeping access clear for using the driveway has been evident and there have been numerous occasions where I have had the driveway completely blocked for a whole day.

We have previously been in discussions with the council regarding this situation and were left with very little options, so it was with some surprise that the double yellow lines appeared earlier this year.

These yellow lines have made it much safer for me to leave my drive and join the main road, mainly due to the fact that they have been well thought out and extend further than the dropped kerb.

This level of thought appears to have been applied to minor roads off Burton End too as many turnings are now protected by long enough yellow lines to allow much greater visibility when joining Burton End.

Whilst I understand the extension of yellow lines may not suit everybody, it has for some and there can be no doubt that if they are observed correctly the safety and visibility for such a busy road will increase which can only be a good thing.

Ricky Latarche
Burton End
Haverhill

Thanks for baby blanket support

Sir, Through the *Weekly News*, I would, on behalf of Dr Cornish and myself, like to thank everybody who

Letting agent wins national industry prize

LETTING agent CXG Property Services of Haverhill has been recognised as an industry leader in national awards.

In the Landlord and Letting Awards, the team from CXG Property Services scooped the award for Best Customer Service at a prestigious gala dinner presented by television celebrity and landlord Sofie Allsop at Stoneleigh Park in Warwickshire.

Daniel Pilley, from CXG, said: "We are all very proud to have won this award. It shows how hard our team works for our customers."

"We were up against not only other local letting agents across the country but the national chains as well."

Oliver Romain, editor of Landlord and Buy-to-Let magazine and lead judge for the awards, said: "The Landlord and Letting Awards are the



Awarded: Daniel Pilley with Sofie Allsop and Tom Archer, CXG lettings manager.

letting industry Oscars and attract a lot of entries. Competition was particularly tough this year, however, the judges were really impressed with CXG Property Services' entry.

"It's a fantastic achievement by CXG Property Services to win the Best Customer Service award and a real pleasure for us to be able to reward their success."

has supported us with our fundraising last summer, and the more recent baby blanket appeal. We are now working at a hospital in southern Ethiopia, and I am very pleased to be able to tell you all that the huge amount of money raised before we left is being spent on the opening of the Neo Natal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Arba Minch hospital where we are based. Sadly, we have seen many babies unable to survive due to the lack of very basic equipment.

This unit will save many and we are thrilled to be a part of the project. An enormous thank you is due to the many people who have been knitting, collecting and crocheting furiously to provide baby blankets to keep the little ones warm.

Very important, even in a very hot climate.

I know just how much pleasure your overwhelming generosity will give to these desperate mums. Our next mission is to get the remaining blankets out to Ethiopia! Any help, advice or sponsorship would be gratefully received.

Dr Cornish is thoroughly enjoying his work in Africa. He has settled every well and the only problem may be getting him home again.

Thank you all so much.

Lindsey Cornish
Great Wratting

Welcome to visit our surgery

Sir, Councillors Karen Richardson and Anne Gower will be holding their surgery for residents on Saturday in Haverhill Library from 10 until noon.

If you would like to come along with any issues or enquiries please do drop in and see us.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Haverhill

Haverhill and District Local History Group: At the January meeting of the group, Maggie Chapman took her audience back to the Sturmer of her childhood in the 1940s and 50s.

She vividly recalled the colourful characters who ran the village's own railway station, post office, cafe, garage and school. Her little sister couldn't understand why Percy Coote, the balding bachelor postmaster, was mentioned in church every Sunday as the congregation prayed 'thou shalt not persecute them'!

The women of the village took the train to visit Haverhill's Friday market, returning with cream buns from Mrs Ellis's bakery or the Co-op amongst their purchases.

There will be more rural reminiscences at the group's next

meeting when local man Tim Ellis will be demonstrating his craft as he talks about life as a master thatcher in Norfolk and Suffolk. The meeting, which is free to members and only £2 to other visitors, will be held in Haverhill's Art Centre Studio at 7.30pm on Wednesday. Refreshments will be available.

Linton

LINTON Guides will be having a jumble sale on March 2, at the infant school between 10am-noon. Items can be taken to the school.

The sale starts at 2pm. Call 891602 to arrange collection of donations.

There will be a jazz concert at the village college on March 2 at 7.30pm. Tickets from 891708 or at the door. Special guests, The

Standard Three, Linton Modern Jazz Project.

Parish councillors unanimously agreed a parish precept for 2013/14 at £158,336, almost 9 per cent above the 2012/13 precept.

It includes £10,000 for setting up a neighbourhood plan, £10,000 for a new parking scheme outside the Co-op and £10,000 towards extending the sports pavilion.

Councillors discussed the merits of a stand-alone neighbourhood plan or joint plan with nearby villages. It was decided to approach Bartlow and Hildersham councils.

Before approving the new road/parking scheme for the Co-op area of the High Street, councillors agreed to canvas all residents living within 100 yards.

Chairman Roger Hickford said

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the football club must have a booking form to be signed by hirers with instructions on access, parking arrangements and delivery of goods and equipment to the pavilion. The form must state that failure to comply would result in loss of deposit, withdrawal of the facility and immediate closure of the bar.

Enid Bald said while trying to repair the damaged fence and hedging at Paynes Meadow, youngsters were continuing to smash through the borders.

Mr Hickford again questioned the parish council expenditure for maintaining St Mary's churchyard, totalling £34,000 over the past five years.

Thurlow

TABLE football and digging the garden were some of the activities

which helped keep youngsters amused at a pre-school group's half-term holiday scheme.

Thurlow Pre-School gave children a chance to really get the most out of the holiday with enthusiastic staff welcoming 2-11 year olds to take part in arts and crafts, painting, gluing and creating pictures to take home.

Thurlow Pre-school's experienced staff now provide childcare from 8am to 6pm, 51 weeks a year.

West Wickham

DAISY Chains Pre-School is wondering if anyone has a laptop that is surplus to requirements, that could be donated.

They need it to fulfil some of the IT curriculum of the Early Years Foundation Stage. Please contact Sue Harrow (01223) 290512.



Visiting: Tim Passmore.



Called a halt: Guy McGregor.



Supporter: Inspector Peter Ferrie.

Police commissioner to join high street debate

A LIVELY debate on pedestrianisation is expected when Suffolk's Police and Crime Commissioner attends a consultation meeting in Haverhill.

Tim Passmore, an agricultural consultant and former leader of Mid Suffolk District Council, was elected to the £70,000-a-year job at an election last November, which attracted only a 16 per cent turnout.

He will be present at the Haverhill Safer Neighbourhood Team priority setting meeting to be held on Monday, March 11 at 7pm at Burton End School.

Guy McGregor, Suffolk County Council's portfolio

BY JO DEEKS

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holder for transport, had already agreed to attend the meeting to explain why he had called a halt to plans to pedestrianise Haverhill High Street, which have been under discussion for more than two decades.

Inspector Peter Ferrie, Haverhill Police sector commander, is a strong supporter of pedestrianisation and has said he believes his officers can be better employed elsewhere, rather than issuing tickets to motorists who constantly flout parking restrictions in the High Street.

He feels a total ban on traffic, with a physical barrier, between 10am and 4pm, which is already operating in Queen Street, is the only answer.

Haverhill Town Council also supports this and members were angered last November when councillors and police representatives were excluded from a meeting at which Mr McGregor announced that plans to ban traffic would not be pursued. The council was unable to overcome objections from traders and felt it would lose a costly public inquiry on the issue.

Inspector Ferrie is encouraging as many people as possible to attend the meeting to talk directly with "two of

Suffolk's big hitters".

When he was elected, Mr Passmore said: "My role is to ensure the policing needs of our communities are met as effectively as possible, bringing communities closer to the police and building confidence in the system."

"Across the country, PCCs will make and influence key decisions that will impact on how your local area looks and feels – from CCTV, street lighting and graffiti to tackling gangs and drug-dealing. My job is to listen and respond to your needs, bringing more of a public voice to policing and giving you a name and a face to complain to if you're not satisfied."

Last chance to include info in new community directory

ORGANISATIONS wanting to be included in a community directory have a last chance to provide their details.

Haverhill Volunteer Centre is putting together the directory, which will include information from community organisations and groups working in the Haverhill area.

Manager Elaine Hewes said: "We would like to include a good variety of organisations so if you are involved in a local organisation or group working in Haverhill and would like to

have your information included in the community directory, please contact the volunteer centre.

"This is an opportunity to promote your organisation and raise awareness of your meeting times."

The directory is being funded by ONE Haverhill community funding and will be distributed locally.

Contact the volunteer centre on (01440) 708444 or info@hvc.org.uk for further information.

Mother's Day March 10th

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Agency plans an 80s revival

BIG hair and lots of make-up will be the dress code for Red Nose Day at a recruitment agency – and that is just the men!

Samantha Johnson and her team at Just Recruitment in Withersfield Road, Haverhill, are going to be fundraising in aid of the appeal on Friday, March 15.

The team will be having fun by running an 'Eighties Day.'

In the weeks leading up to the big day the agency will be asking clients and candidates past and present to donate and help in their fundraising efforts.

Everyone who donates will be entered into a draw to win a bottle of bubbly.

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Get fit with chair-based class

CLASSES to improve your fitness without leaving your chair have started in Haverhill.

The new way to improve your overall health and fitness, organised by Live Well Suffolk, is a new chair-based exercise class which started on Monday at Leiston Community Centre in Leiston Road.

The free six-week course will take place on Monday mornings from 10am-11.15am, and is a low impact exercise class using elasticated resistance bands.

Each class will combine a fun exercise session with practical workshops about how to improve your general health.

Chair-based exercise classes are an ideal alternative for people recovering from injury or otherwise concerned about the ability to stand during exercise. Each session combines a series of stretching movements with resistance bands to help strengthen muscles, loosen joints and

improve circulation.

Oliver Langford, senior community health coach for Live Well Suffolk, said: "Our chair-based exercise courses have proved popular in the past and are ideal for those who are unable to participate in active exercise."

"The course is open to people of all ages and is a great way to teach people how small, simple movements can help you improve your health and wellbeing."

The chair-based exercise course is expected to be popular and advance booking is required.

To register a place on any of the course, call Live Well Suffolk on 01473 229292 or email tasters@livewellsuffolk.org.uk. Some eligibility criteria will be applied.

For more information about the range of services offered by Live Well Suffolk, visit www.livewellsuffolk.org.uk

Liaison nurse a hospital first

BY JO DEEKS

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PATIENTS with a learning disability or autism can now receive extra support following the appointment of a new specialist nurse.

Paul Hunter is the first learning disabilities liaison nurse at West Suffolk Hospital.

His aim is to improve care by identifying any specific needs which patients with a learning disability or autism may have before they come to hospital so that the right support can be provided.

Paul will also work with colleagues to provide advice and highlight areas where a different approach and adjustments may be necessary to improve the care which patients receive.

His appointment comes following a commitment from West Suffolk Hospital to improve healthcare and treatment for people with learning disabilities and autism.

Paul said: "We want to make sure that everyone using the hospital has a positive experience by looking at what we can do differently or how we can be flexible in caring for patients with learning disabilities or autism."

"I am passionate about ensuring we provide each person with the right care and treatment and believe that if we get it right for people with learning disabilities and autism, then we will get it right for every other patient accessing the hospital."

"I aim to develop a relationship with the patients and their relatives or carers before they come for their appointment or admission."



Appointment: Paul Hunter is the new learning disabilities liaison nurse at West Suffolk Hospital.

CP

"I will then assess their needs so that we can make any necessary adjustments so their visit to hospital is as comfortable as it can be."

Paul has already held training courses for more than 100 colleagues to help them identify and better understand patients with learning disabilities or autism.

He is now aiming to raise the profile of these patients further while also working with GPs to develop a database of people who may need extra support.

Paul said: "I would encourage parents, carers, relatives or friends of anyone with a learning disability or autism to contact me in advance if they know they are due to come to the West Suffolk Hospital."

"Then I can make sure we make any necessary adjustments to help their visit run as smoothly and successfully as it possibly can."

Anyone who would like to get in touch with Paul can call (01284) 712750 or email him at paul.hunter@wsh.nhs.uk

Two break-ins in village

CHAINSAWS and other equipment has been stolen from two sheds broken into in the same village street. Police are appealing for information about the two break-ins at Hundon.

Officers were called to a property in Valley Wash, where the householder had discovered his shed had been forced open between 10.30pm on Wednesday, February 13 and 8am the following day. Subsequent house-to-house enquiries led to another resident in the road discovering that their shed had also been burgled. In both cases the sheds were secure and the locks had been forced.

Both sheds had chainsaws stolen from them and also other equipment including a strimmer.

Anyone with information in relation to this incident is asked to contact PC Laura Harris at Haverhill police station on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Prisoner's inquest opens

AN INQUEST has opened into the death of a prisoner.

Brian Randall, 60, was found unconscious in his cell at HMP Highpoint, in Stradishall, on February 10. He was taken to West Suffolk Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The inquest was opened and adjourned on Friday by Suffolk Coroners Office.

The cause of death is not yet known.

Bypass crash

A MOTORIST was released by firefighters after a crash on the Haverhill bypass.

The accident happened on the A1017 just after 2am on Tuesday.



Celebration cake: John Robinson after his 100th blood donation.

Picture: David Johnson 894447

OAP donor is 100 and not out

A PENSIONER has hit a rare milestone by giving his 100th blood donation.

John Robinson, of Sleaford Close, Balsham, has crossed the threshold into the 1.7% of donors who make it to this level, but what made the moment more special is that at 71, John has been a regular contributor for more than 50 years.

He said: "At the end of the day it is helping other people and it only takes three-quarters of an hour of my time once every three or four months."

Making his first donation at 19, the pensioner continued to give two donations a year until 2005,

the only absence period being after a trip to Kenya to ensure he had not picked up malaria on his journey.

For the past seven years John has attended blood drives three times a year after the rules for over-65s changed from no donations allowed to regular donations welcomed, so long as the donor is fit and healthy.

John gave his 100th donation in Linton Village College sports hall on February 13.

He said: "It felt brilliant and it was something I have wanted to achieve over the years and it is something I have believed in all of the time for a long while."

"If people like me and the thousands of other donors around the country weren't here then where would the NHS be?"

John is not planning to stop his quarterly trips now he has hit the 100th donation and, though he celebrated his milestone with a bang, he has already signed up for his next slot on August 6.

He said: "While I'm fit and healthy I will still do this. So as long as they'll have me I'll still come."

"If what we have done here today makes one more person come along to give blood then it is all worthwhile."

Blood donors help campaign

BY JO DEEKS

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A CAMPAIGN to recruit new blood donors has been hailed a great success after its target was smashed two weeks early.

Thousands came forward to help make up a shortfall in new blood donors by supporting the major campaign run by NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT).

The plan was to recruit 100,000 New Donors in 100 Days, which was launched following a dramatic decline in the number of younger donors signing up in 2012.

A total of 1,634 from Suffolk showed their heart in the run-up to Valentine's Day, joining the 119,907 that signed up across England and Wales.

The new signings will help to ensure future blood

stocks are protected.

Jon Latham, assistant director for marketing at NHS Blood and Transplant, said: "We'd like to say a big thank you to everyone who has supported the campaign."

"It is fantastic that we exceeded the target and people signed up with such enthusiasm and hopefully any new registrants who haven't got around to donating will do so soon."

"This campaign has helped to tackle the drop in new young donors from the summer and now we are looking ahead."

"We rely on new blood donors to keep coming forward as we need more than 1,000 new

registrations every day to replace those donors who can no longer donate."

Young people are vital to the blood service, with 17 to 24-year-olds accounting for around 40 per cent of new donors each year.

New donors are essential to blood donation in England and Wales to keep donor levels stable.

Anyone aged between 17-65, weighing more than 50 kg (7 stone 12lbs) and in general good health could potentially start saving lives by becoming a blood donor.

There is no upper age limit for donors who have donated in the last two years.

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Celebrations and praise for nursery's new owners

TINY tots enjoyed a double celebration for the start of the Chinese New Year and a good OFSTED report for their nursery.

New owners Hayley Peacock and Dawn Edwards took over the nursery in Burton End, Haverhill, last August and changed its name to Lilypads Day Nursery & Pre-School.

Since taking over, they have done extensive redevelopment work, including completely refurbishing the baby room and restocking with new equipment.

Artificial grass has been installed in both the baby room and pre-school gardens and lots of new equipment has also been purchased.

The report following an inspection in January said: "Well qualified and knowledgeable staff have a very good understanding of how children learn.

BY JO DEEKS

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"They make the most of opportunities to extend children's learning through play, discussion and group activities.

"The setting provides a well-resourced and welcoming environment to support children's all-round development and emotional well-being.

"The children have use of a rich and stimulating outdoor play area. This gives them the opportunity to enjoy fresh air and supports their physical development."

The report said the setting was good, and would have been rated as outstanding if its educational programme for expressive arts and



Learning is fun: joint deputy manager Dawn Edwards with some of the youngsters.

Picture: David Johnson 893325

design had not been limited by the range of media and materials that the children had to explore.

It said the manager and her deputies had led changes and improvements to the nursery since taking over, and it had good capacity

for further improvement.

Nursery manager Hayley said: "We had our first Ofsted inspection in January at Lilypads and were very proud to be awarded 'good' in all areas.

"We are currently celebrating

Chinese New Year and the children have been busy making a big dragon, food tasting Chinese delicacies and making their own spring rolls."

Lilypads currently has limited spaces and a waiting list is in place. Call (01440) 767805 for information.

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Voluntary group to keep running buses

BY LIZZY BUCHAN

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A COMMUNITY transport group which serves Haverhill has celebrated regaining contracts for two vital bus services.

The Voluntary Network, based in All Saints Road, Newmarket, will continue to run two Suffolk Link demand responsive services across West Suffolk until 2016 following a recent tendering process by Suffolk County Council.

More than 40 parishes are covered by the Three Towns service, which runs between Newmarket, Haverhill and Bury St Edmunds, and The Brecks services, between Mildenhall, Thetford and Brandon.

Caroline Cowie, manager at the Voluntary Network, said: "We are delighted to have regained the contracts, which we see as a big endorsement of the professional, cost-effective and dedicated manner in which we have operated the service over the past two years.



Delighted: Caroline Cowie, manager at the Voluntary Network.

"These two services provide a vital transport link to many communities in the Forest Heath area, which allows them to link up with other bus and train services, as well as providing a way of getting to amenities such as shopping

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Suffolk County Council and Leap are spearheading the campaign, and Realise Futures is delivering the courses and training.

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Amber's back in the saddle



Riding high: Amber and one of her equine friends at the College of West Anglia.

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When doctors warned Amber Manfro-Lynn she might never walk again, her first thought was that nothing would ever stop her from riding. Five years later, she's forging a successful career in the equine world. Interview by ALICE RYAN.

SITTING in the hospital, her left leg a mangled mess and her head dizzy with pain, Amber Manfro-Lynn's mind suddenly began to race. She'd just heard a doctor talking to her parents – breaking the news their daughter may never walk again.

"I heard him say to my mum and dad: 'I have to warn you – she might be in a wheelchair for the rest of her life.' I was only 14, but I didn't cry. I thought: 'If they think I'm not ever going to get on a horse again, they're lying'; that was literally the first thing that came into my head.

"I'd just started eventing, I wanted to become a riding instructor... Horses were my life. I couldn't imagine my future without them."

Involved in a freak accident – which saw her become trapped beneath a two-tonne horse box – incredibly, Amber hadn't broken any bones. But the soft tissues in her leg were wrecked: from her ankle up to her mid-thigh, the muscles were torn and ligaments shredded.

Though it took almost four years, extensive medical treatment and an enormous strength of will, Amber did get back in the saddle. And, now a second-year student in equine studies at the College of West Anglia, she's just got a job at a four-star eventing yard – in Germany.

"I posted my CV on the job

site Yard and Groom. Most people have got a history of competing; obviously my CV had a big gap in it. So I said I'd had an accident and that I was looking for someone to give me a chance.

"Three days later I got the email from Hamburg, offering me a six to 12-month placement. I couldn't believe it! I had to get my mum to read it to me. When it comes to eventing, the Germans are the best: that's why they won gold at the Olympics.

"It's the kind of thing you see on the TV or hear on the news. It's not the kind of thing you ever think will happen to you."

Amber, who lives in Broughton, has loved horses all her life. Taught to ride by her older sister Becky, she was just a tot when she first got on a horse. "I suppose I must have been about 3. We don't come from a horsey background: my mum is actually petrified of horses. But I've always been a real animal person, and Becky really got me in to it."

By the time of the accident, which happened during her first year of GCSEs at St Peter's, Huntingdon, Amber was taking her riding very seriously. Her spare time was spent exercising horses for their owners: she was in the process of working an arthritic warm-blood back to fitness and competing another pony.

Taking part in one or two competitions a month – clear-round jumping and novice dressage – Amber had already decided her future lay with horses. "I just wanted to go out,

compete as much as possible, have fun. But then the accident happened."

"It hadn't started off as a good day," recounts the 19-year-old. "We'd been to a show and the pony had thrown me off three times in the warm-up arena, then thrown me off again at the second jump. I can remember thinking: 'There's no point even trying.'"

"It was when they dropped me home that the accident happened. My house is set up a steep grass slope. I was walking up the slope – thinking nothing of it, I'd been doing it all my life – when the horsebox moved off."

"I got to the top, slipped on the wet grass and suddenly I was down under the box... I can remember it really hurting, but I must have blacked out for a few seconds."

Rushed to A&E in an ambulance, Amber's left leg had swollen beyond recognition – to the point where doctors struggled to examine her, let alone make a diagnosis. "The inflammation was so bad it affected the X-rays; they couldn't really see what was going on."

Placed in a thigh-high plaster cast and prescribed strong painkillers, Amber was sent home to wait for the swelling to subside. A few days later, examinations showed she had suffered a dislocated knee and major soft-tissue damage. "They can't actually do anything about that: you just have to wait for it to heal."

Told to rest and use a wheelchair for two months,

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So happy together: Amber with her 'crazy little dog' Bill.

Amber lasted two weeks before switching to crutches: "I just got really annoyed with the wheelchair. I couldn't stand being stuck at home, not being able to do anything, thinking my riding career could be over..."

"I do suffer from depression, have done since I was quite young. And it properly put me down in the dumps. At that point, I couldn't see a future."

Little by little, battling through constant pain in her leg, pelvis and back, Amber's mobility improved. After four months and lots of physio, she was able to take her first steps crutches-free. But, even then, her recovery was far from over.

Returning to school, Amber found herself unable to do PE: though her movement was improving, her leg was frighteningly weak. "Even after all the physio, every now and again it would just give way, suddenly collapse."

As a result, Amber couldn't face getting back on a horse: "For the first time ever, I felt fear. I'd had plenty of riding accidents before – plenty of falls. But I'd never been afraid."

Amber admits she went through some dark times. "For about three years everything seemed to be bad. It got to the point where I didn't want to leave the house; I didn't want to do anything. And that's when I got Bill – and he changed my life."

A Staffie cross rescued from the RSPCA's Block Fen Animal Centre, Bill has become Amber's constant companion. "We're getting him a passport and he's coming to Germany with me," she laughs. "If I have a bad day – and I do still have bad days sometimes – he'll be there to cheer me up."

"He's such a bouncy, happy, crazy little dog. He's taught me to love life. That's

the only way I can describe it."

Forced to re-evaluate her career plans, on leaving school Amber opted to study social care.

"I thought: 'If I can't be on a yard, I'm going to do something to help other people.' My cousin has special needs, and I found I really enjoyed working with people with disabilities."

The course was, concedes Amber, no walk in the park. "I was diagnosed with dyslexia, which had never been picked up at school. And they were worried I might not be able to keep up."

Amber's health was also failing. Though her leg had healed, she was still in terrible pain. Eventually referred to a specialist, she was found to have a contortion: her leg had been left twisted, pulling her pelvis and back out of line. To complicate matters further, she was diagnosed with hypermobile joints – which meant her hip, knee and ankle were all working overtime.

"The physio certainly had her work cut out," Amber laughs. "But she was amazing."

Despite the setbacks, Amber completed her diploma with top marks: "People can tell you that you can't do things; I'd been told I might be in a wheelchair forever. But the first time you prove them wrong, you get the confidence to prove them wrong again."

Amber says her confidence was boosted immeasurably by the social care course. "When you're learning how to deal with other people's behaviours, you have to look at the way you behave yourself. I grew up such a lot. If I hadn't done that course, I wouldn't be where I am today."

It was a fellow social care student that encouraged

Amber to face her fear and get on a horse again. "When I got on my mate's horse it was just the best feeling. To be honest, the minute I walked on to the yard I thought: 'What have I been doing for the last few years? What have I been missing?' It was the smell; everything about it."

Inspired by her two passions – horse riding and supporting people with disabilities – Amber had discovered a new ambition: training to become a hippotherapist, providing physical, occupational and speech therapy through working with horses.

"Just being around horses does you the world of good. There's something quite magical about this huge creature wanting to be your friend: if you love them, they'll love you back; if you're feeling down, they'll do their best to cheer you up. It's a special relationship, and I think everybody should have the chance to experience it."

Keen both to build up her strength and hone her skill on horseback, Amber signed up for an equine studies course at West Anglia's Milton campus. Now part-way through an extended diploma, she's also been given a job working with the horses at the college; it's clear she's determined to make up for lost time.

Still taking painkillers every day, Amber says she 'still gets down'. "But sitting here, talking about it all, makes me realise how far I've come: I've come a really, really long way from that 14-year-old on crutches... though I don't like to admit it, I'm very proud of that."

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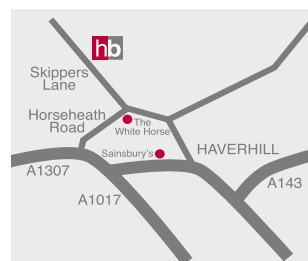
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Duo inviting others to join charity ride

BY JO DEEKS

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TWO charity workers based at a Suffolk jail are getting on their bikes to raise cash and inviting others to join them.

Vicky Beckinsale, community fundraiser, and Lucy Potter, head of fundraising, work for the Ormiston Children and Families Trust at Highpoint Prison, Stradishall, supporting children, young people and families affected by imprisonment.

They will both be taking part in a London to Paris Cycle Challenge in June, and aim to recruit a group of at least 20 people for what is described as one of the best cycling experiences in Europe.

Setting off on June 26, the team will start by cycling through the Kent countryside before crossing the Channel and continuing through the small villages and medieval market towns of northern France.

Despite the beautiful surroundings, they will have to endure long days in the saddle, cycling up to 80 miles a day.

There are also plenty of strenuous hill climbs to contend with but it will all be worth it when they glimpse the Eiffel Tower on finishing



Paris bound: Vicky Beckinsale, community fundraiser, and Lucy Potter, head of fundraising at Ormiston.

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on June 29.

Lucy completed the London to Paris bike ride a few years ago and said: "After all the great cycling achievements in 2012 we're really hoping people will be inspired to take on their own sporting challenge."

"London to Paris is one of the best cycling routes in Europe – the setting is so picturesque and the finishing line is at the Eiffel Tower in Paris which is just stunning."

Ormiston has over 40 services across six counties in the East of

England and all money raised from the London to Paris event will go towards making "young lives better" in the region.

In Suffolk, the charity runs a children's centre in Ipswich, works with families affected by imprisonment and delivers a range of parenting support programmes.

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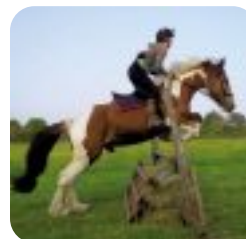
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Behind the wheel

Alfred Uhry's classic American drama *Driving Miss Daisy* has arrived in Cambridge and Don Warrington tells *The Guide* about stepping into Morgan Freeman's shoes plus the enduring legacy of *Rising Damp*

IT can't always be easy for an actor tackling a well-known role to dispel memories of another performer's success in the part.

In playing Hoke, the chauffeur in this production of Alfred Uhry's *Driving Miss Daisy*, actor Don Warrington is following in the footsteps of Morgan Freeman, who played the role on Broadway and then reprised it for the Oscar-winning screen version. Warrington, however, is relaxed about any comparisons.

"Of course, one has a memory of Morgan Freeman's performance," he says. "Great as it was, I'm not Morgan Freeman and I can only bring what I have to offer to the character."

The play spans a quarter of a century in the lives of the characters – from the late 1940s to the early 1970s – and quietly evolving in the background, American society is changing, a development that is given greater prominence in the course of *Driving Miss Daisy*.

"The play takes place at certain moments in American history but it doesn't deal directly with these events, such as the growth of the Civil Rights movement," explains Warrington. "But we see through the characters how attitudes

are changing and in a way this enables Hoke to reveal more of his feelings.

"It's interesting to have the themes of both racism and anti-semitism in the play. You wonder which has a higher position in the hierarchy of redneck Southern prejudice – the Jews or the blacks. You don't learn much about Hoke's personal life, although you hear about a daughter and grandchildren, but the nature of the play is that white people don't know much about their black counterparts."

In recent years, Warrington has been seen on television but, rather to his bewilderment, the public still associate him with the classic 1970s sitcom *Rising Damp* in which he starred with the formidable line-up of Frances de la Tour, Richard Beckinsale and Leonard Rossiter.

"It was my first job after drama school and it was what it was.

"It's not something which I think about much of the time. The other cast members were all very nice and I always felt part of the team. Leonard [Rossiter] was as demanding of himself as he was of everybody else and if he held you in high regard, that was fine."

As Philip, the black student with a cut glass, upper-crust accent, Warrington was the target of some of the racist attitudes displayed by Rigsby (Rossiter), his seedy landlord. In a way you could say that *Driving Miss Daisy* and *Rising Damp* share certain themes.

"In *Rising Damp*, racism was always shown up to be ridiculous, but the show wasn't simply about race," says Warrington. "It was about class as well. Rigsby had aspirations to raise himself into the middle class and Philip turned the stereotype on its head by being genuinely middle-class."

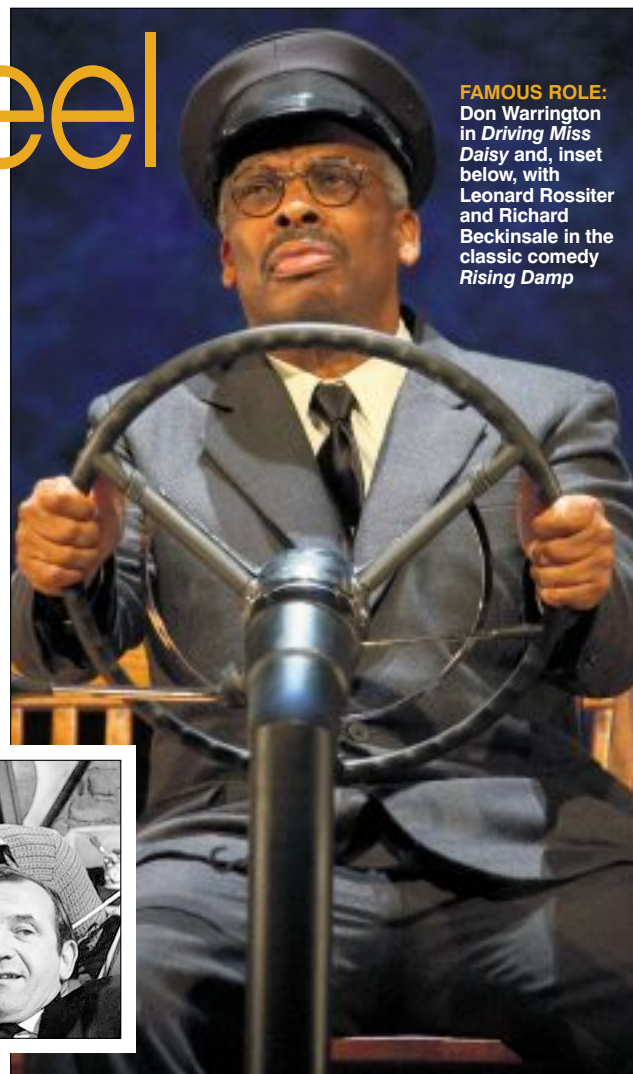
Warrington's interest in acting was

sparked off by an Asian adventure story he'd seen full "of men rescuing princesses and swinging from turret to turret and I thought to myself that I'd like to do that too. Then I saw Marlon Brando in *On the Waterfront* and I was very excited. I loved his depth of feeling and his ability to communicate with an audience – he was always so transparent."

Warrington is philosophical about the inevitable ebb and flow of an actor's career. How would he sum up the story so far?

"Do I feel that I've done well? Or at least OK?" says Don rhetorically. "It depends on which day you ask me. I've no idea why the phone rings on certain days and stays silent on others. On a good day, I think that everything's fine. On a bad day, I wonder if I should have gone for something else. But what's done is done and I'm still here, after all."

■ **Driving Miss Daisy, Cambridge Arts Theatre, until Saturday at 7.45pm (Thur/Sat mats 2.30pm). Tickets from £15. Contact (01223) 503333 / www.cambridgearts theatre.com.**



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They kicked off at Glasgow's Oran Mor on February 12, took in their native Manchester for Valentine's Day and played their biggest London show to date at the renowned Barbican Centre, as 2013 promises to be a big year for I Am Kloot.

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DON'T worry if you missed out on singer Paloma Faith when she played at Cambridge Corn Exchange on Sunday.

The Hackney diva is due to perform in Thetford Forest on June 14 as part of the Forestry Commission's Forest Live outdoor music series.

For tickets, call 03000 680400 or visit www.forestry.gov.uk/music.



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DAN Hayes and Pete Richards follow the career of the folk-rock Simon and Garfunkel from Queens tonight at 8pm. Through The Years features clips of Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel, and their great hits.

■ Deeform, a DJ/Club night for over 16s, is being held tomorrow from 7.30pm to midnight. House/Dubstep/Drum & Bass, and showcasing local DJ talent: HRV, Lopster, Banj, Nag, Merlin, MC Bleh and featuring a guest performance from Matt Ashford (Apprehension).

■ If jazz is your thing, come along on Friday, March 1, at 8pm for the All That Jazz Club. Tina May, one of the most popular vocalists on the UK jazz scene, will be joined by the Hannah Horton Quartet.

■ On the cinema front, Helen Hunt was BAFTA and Oscar nominated for her role in *The Sessions* (15) showing on Tuesday at 7.45pm. An unlikely subject, the sex life of a quadriplegic, the film provides insights into the mind of a man unable to translate his emotions into physical responses. Himself incapacitated by polio, writer-director Ben Lewis handles the subject frankly but with sensitivity and considerable humour. Irish Reel Culture film *What Richard Did* (15) is showing on Wednesday, February 27, at 7.45pm. Loved by his classmates and always looking out for his friends, affable Richard seems destined for a bright future until a terrible drunken mistake sets his life on a nightmarish new path. *Lincoln* (12A) is showing on Thursday, February 28, at 7.45pm.

■ This week's talk by Dr Roger Simpson on Victorian Paintings takes place on Wednesday, February 27, and is entitled Charles Collins The Resurgence of Religion.

■ Diary Dates: Clive Carroll, UK acoustic guitar phenomenon on Sunday, March 3, at 7.30pm; The Conch, high energy musical drama from Stoke College on Tuesday and Thursday, March 5 and 7 at 7pm, and the Mugenkyo Taiko Drummers return with Way of the Drum on Friday, March 8, at 7.30pm.

■ For tickets and show details, contact the box office on (01440) 714140 or go to www.haverhillartscentre.co.uk

Cinemas

Times for Fri, February 22, until Thu, February 28. All times are PM unless otherwise stated.

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Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters (3D) (15): Wed-Thu 1.20, 3.40, 8.40
Song For Marion (PG): Fri-Sun 10.50am, 1.10, 3.30, 5.50, 8.10; Mon-Thu 1.10, 3.30, 5.50, 8.10
Mama (15): Fri-Thu 6, 8.35
A Good Day To Die Hard (12A): Fri-Sun 4.10, 6.30 (subtitles Sun), 8.45; Mon-Thu 1.50, 4.10 (subtitles Thu), 6.30, 8.45
Beautiful Creatures (12A): Fri-Thu 12.20, 3.10
Sammy's Great Escape (U): Fri-Sun 11.30am, 1.50
Wreck-It Ralph (3D) (PG): Fri-Sun 10.10am, 12.40, 3.20, 6; Mon 12.40, 3.20; Tues 12.40, 3.20, 6; Wed-Thu 6
Wreck-It Ralph (PG): Fri-Sun 11.10am, 1.50, 4.30; Mon 4.30; Tues-Thu 1.50, 4.30
I Give It A Year (15): Fri-Sun 8.30; Tues 8.30; Wed 8
Les Misérables (12A): Fri-Sun 7.30; Mon 8.30; Tues-Thu 7.30
Movies for juniors
Dr. Seuss' The Lorax (U): Sat 10.10am
Rise Of The Guardians (PG): Sat 10am, 10.30am; Sun 10.30am
Cirque Du Soleil: Worlds Away (3D) (12A Live): Mon 6.30

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The big film

MAMA

certificate 15, 1h40m

THINGS go bump in the night, repeatedly, in Andy Muschietti's unsettling ghost story. The Argentinean director masterfully sustains tension for the opening hour of *Mama*, teasing us with glimpses of the titular spectre which runs amok in a frenetic finale. Fear of the unknown is far more powerful than anything the special effects wizards can conjure, so for the extended periods when we can hear or sense a malevolent force just off screen, our nerves are stretched to breaking point.

Once Muschietti reveals his destructive apparition in her gnarled, twisted glory, and then proceeds to flesh out her convoluted back story, terror turns to incredulity. The film opens in 2008 as financial gloom pervades. Businessman Jeffrey (Nikolaj Coster-Waldau) kills his partners and his wife, before taking his young children – Victoria (Megan Charpentier) and Lilly (Isabelle Nélisse) – for a drive into the mountains.

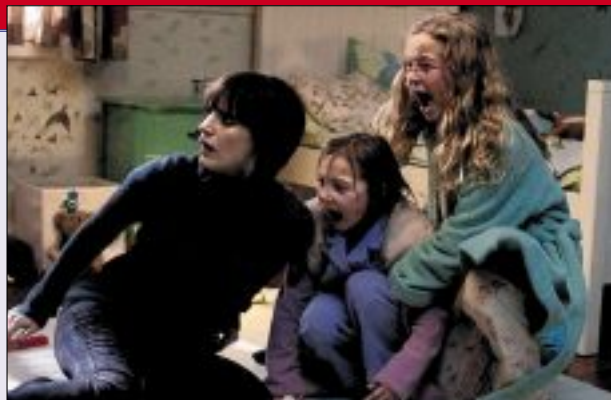
Sun 3.30; Tues 7.15; Wed 1.30
What Richard Did (15): Tues 6
Picturehouse Pythons, Kids Club: Princess Lillifee (U): Sat 11am
Toddler Time: Peppa Pig: Numbers & Other Stories (U): Tues 11.30am

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Kids am: Hotel Transylvania (U): Sat-Sun 10am
kids am: Hotel Transylvania 3D (U): Sat-Sun 10.30am
Skyfall (12a): Tues 12.10



The car skids off the icy road and an injured Jeffrey seeks sanctuary with the girls in a rickety cabin. Five years later, a tracker dog search party locates the two girls, who have been living wild in the cabin under the watchful gaze of an invisible presence they refer to only as Mama.

Jeffrey's twin brother Lucas is overjoyed that

his nieces have been found safe and well, and he and rock guitarist girlfriend Annabel (Jessica Chastain) agree to provide a loving home to Victoria and Lilly.

Child psychiatrist Dr Gerald Dreyfuss (Daniel Kash) expresses his desire to continue monitoring the children.

"I didn't get a chance to screw them up, they

came that way," Annabel jokes to one of her band mates, unaware of the dangers posed by the dark spirit that watches over the urchins.

The fingerprints of executive producer Guillermo del Toro (*The Devil's Backbone*, *Pan's Labyrinth*) are all over *Mama*, which explores the power of otherworldly forces through innocent eyes.

Danger lurks in every dimly lit corner of Muschietti's film and he punctuates uncomfortable silences with edge-of-seat jolts. Suspense builds nicely before the anti-climactic blitzkrieg of death.

Chastain lends gravitas to a potentially throwaway role as a surrogate mother who discovers her nurturing, parental instincts in the eye of a storm.

It's a solid performance, complimented by strong support from youngsters Charpentier and Nélisse as sisters who have been abandoned to a grim fate.

But once the nefarious spirit emerges from the shadows, the film falters.

Warm Bodies (12a): Sun 12.20 (subtitles)
This Is 40 (15): Tues 9 (subtitles)
Hansel And Gretel: Witch Hunters 3D (15): Wed 12noon, 2.20, 4.40, 7, 9.20, 11.30; Thu 12noon, 2.20, 4.40, 7, 9.20
Mama (15): Fri 12.20, 2.50, 5.50, 8.20, 11.30; Sat 10am, 12.20, 2.50, 5.50, 8.20, 11.30; Sun 10am, 12.20, 2.50, 5.50, 8.20; Mon-Tues 12.20, 2.50, 5.50, 8.20; Wed 12.20, 2.50, 5.50, 8.20, 11.30; Thu 12.20, 2.50, 5.50, 8.20
Cloud Atlas (15): Fri-Sat 12.40, 4.20, 8, 10.10; Sun-Tues 12.40, 4.20, 8; wed 12.40, 4.20, 8, 10.10; Thu 12.40, 4.20, 8
Song For Marion (PG): Fri 12.30, 2.40, 5.10, 7.45;

Sat-Sun 10.10am, 12.30, 2.40, 5.10, 7.45; Mon-Thu 12.30, 2.40, 5.10, 7.45
A Good Day To Die Hard (12a): Fri 12.40, 3.20, 6, 8.30, 11; Sat 10.15am, 12.40, 3.20, 6, 8.30, 11; Sun 10.15am, 12.40, 3.20, 6, 8.30; Mon-Tues 12.40, 3.20, 6, 8.30; wed 12.40, 3.20, 6, 8.30, 11; Thu 12.40, 3.20, 6, 8.30
Beautiful Creatures (12a): Fri-Sun 3.10, 6.10; Mon 3.10; Tues-Thu 3.10, 6.10
This Is 40 (15): Fri-Sat 8.50, 10.40; Sun 8.50; Tues 8.50; Wed 8.50, 10.40; Thu 8.50
Wreck-It Ralph 3D (PG): Fri 1, 3.40; Sat-Sun 1, 3.40, 6.20; Mon-Tues 1, 3.40
Wreck-It Ralph 2D (PG): Fri 12.30, 3.10; Sat-Sun

10am, 12.30, 3.10; Mon-Thu 12.30, 3.10
Silver Linings Playbook (15): Fri 6.20; Mon-Tues 6.20
Argo (15): Mon 9.10
Warm Bodies (12a): Fri 12.20; Sat-Sun 10am, 12.20; Mon-Thu 12.20
I Give It A Year (15): Fri-Sat 8.40, 11.10; Sun-Tues 8.40; Wed 8.40, 11.10; Thu 8.40
Les Misérables (12a): Fri-Sun 12.10, 3.40, 7.10; Mon 3.40, 7.10; Tues-Thu 12.10, 3.40, 7.10
Django Unchained (18): Fri-Tues 9
Lincoln (12a): Fri-Thu 5.20
Sammy's Great Escape (U): Sat-Sun 9.50am
Zero Dark Thirty (15): Fri-Sat 10.40; Wed 10.40

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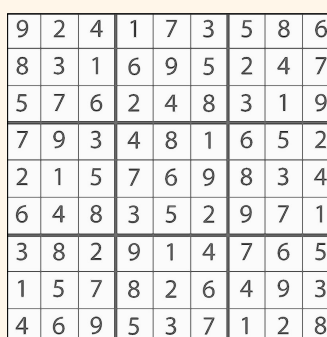
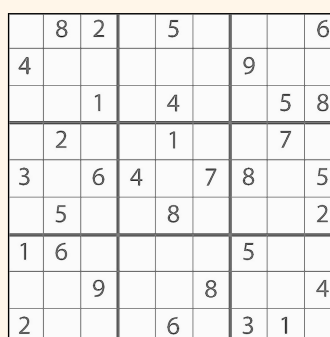
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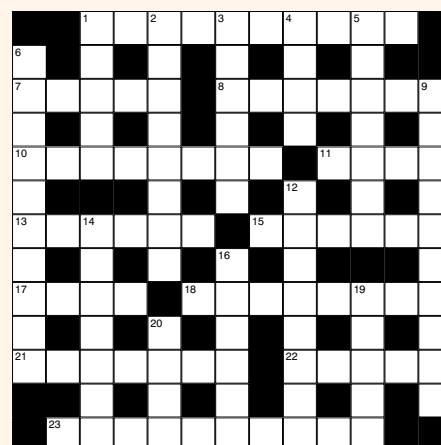
Cryptic clues

Across

1. Walker is dull (10)
7. Notes attack (5)
8. Peter is out to get an interval of 4 (7)
10. Inspire the team in a warm spot (8)
11. After 50 one politician becomes flabby (4)
13. Engineer set out papers (6)
15. Not paired? (6)
17. Out of control but all right in the morning (4)
18. Closes on lack of heat (8)
21. Feeling egghead should join movement (7)
22. Company tune in: capital! (5)
23. Gets cane out with anger; moderation needed (10)

Down

1. Problem for the one being photographed? (5)
2. Hated trial indeed (8)
3. Dorset eccentric walked with a long step (6)



example (4)

Quick clues

Across

1. Commanding (10)
7. Era (5)
8. Acclaim (7)
10. Rescued (8)
11. Bogus (4)
13. Attack (6)
15. Grab (6)
17. Departed (4)
18. Outer (8)
21. Dependent (7)
22. Donated (5)
23. Avoid (5,5)

Down

1. Skull (5)
2. Practise (8)
3. Charted (6)
4. Rip (4)
5. Glowing (7)
6. Gossip (10)
9. Obey (3,3,4)
12. Lure (8)
14. Curl (7)
16. Foreign (6)
19. At no time (5)
20. Urn (4)

Cryptic clues Across: 6 Fiddler; 7 Court; 9 Ill; 10 Strapping; 12 Impartially; 15 Indifferent; 17 Repudiate; 19 Lay; 21 Uncle; 22 Minutes. **Down:** 1 Field; 2 Ode; 3 Left; 4 Complaint; 5 Wrangle; 8 Waiter; 11 Impiously; 13 Affair; 14 Antenna; 16 Fated; 18 Twin; 20 Cut. **Quick clues Across:** 6 Purport; 7 Rapid; 9 New; 10 Community; 12 Out of action; 15 Promptitude; 17 Itinerant; 19 Top; 21 Gusto; 22 Impious. **Down:** 1 Queer; 2 Apt; 3 Trio; 4 Magnitude; 5 Diction; 8 Impart; 11 Culminate; 13 Outcry; 14 Fretful; 16 Bogus; 18 Numb; 20 Tie.

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Taking gardening leave



by Hannah Stephenson

THEMED holidays have been around for a long time, suited to hobbyists whose pastimes have included painting, cooking or indeed gardening.

While garden-themed holidays simply used to involve trips to well-known gardens to admire the scenery and perhaps enjoy a guided tour, today's offerings are more sophisticated, and if you pick the right holiday, you may have smaller groups, visits to private gardens and even a bit of hands-on experience.

Tailor-made garden cruises featuring talks by TV gardening experts, visits to exotic gardens where guests can sample the locally grown tropical fruits and trips which incorporate some of the major horticultural shows are all available.

Kew-trained horticulturist Sue Macdonald, who founded Boxwood Tours (www.boxwoodtours.net) in 1990, which specialises in quality garden holidays, says that green-fingered travellers are becoming more discerning.



ITALIAN STYLE: one of the gardens in Lake Como, Italy, featured in the new Royal Horticultural Society garden holidays brochure.

"They want more private visits and want to meet the garden owners or head gardeners. That's a big draw on a tour. They want to hear about the garden, how they cope with recent weather difficulties and plans for the future. They need someone there who can tell them the key information."

"Gardeners want a tour leader with a horticultural background, rather than just going around a National Trust property without meeting anybody, just looking. They want questions answered."

Some organisations offer workshops for people who want to learn some practical gardening, but they are difficult to incorporate on a garden-themed holiday, Macdonald explains.

"Setting up tours which are more practical is not easy to do because it involves extra insurance if people are using knives or pruning shears or digging."

"Gardens also need to have enough space to bring people in for hands-on gardening experiences, so they might need enough space to take a group of 10

people, for instance, to take cuttings from a shrub."

But the yearning for knowledge among travellers is ever-increasing, she points out.

"We have started looking more at different plant groups, which we're doing on our Cornwall tour this year, so the head gardener is going to talk about and demonstrate the propagation of camellias, but it's not set up like a workshop."

The Royal Horticultural Society recently launched its first ever RHS Garden Holidays brochure in conjunction with escorted tours expert Collette Worldwide Holidays, featuring horticulture-themed holidays around the world, including itineraries to the US, New Zealand, South Africa, Japan, The Azores, France, Italy and Spain.

Celebrating the centenary of RHS Chelsea Flower Show, its China tours follow in the footsteps of the original plant hunters and offer visitors an element of discovery.

"For somebody who really wants to get down and dirty in plant hunting, looking under rocks, in damp bark, under leaves, up in the trees, in search of orchids or clematis or magnolia or whatever we are looking for, following in the footsteps of the original plant hunters, the plant seekers' trip would be one for them," says Sue Biggs, RHS director general, who has a background in travel.

Biggs notes: "A lot of people will be happy to go to beautiful gardens, be told what the plants are and where they grow best and how to grow them at home, but

if you want really top level – where you find out the Latin names, how to cultivate and graft plants, the real horticultural knowledge, then it would be best to choose a tour that's escorted by an RHS curator or horticultural specialist."

So, what should holidaymakers check when choosing a garden-themed break?

■ Check the inclusions because you may discover that food is not included and optional excursions can bump up your costs.

■ Take note of single supplements. Many gardeners go on horticulture-themed holidays on their own.

■ Look for unique experiences where you won't be on a well-worn trail behind a fleet of other tourist coaches.

■ Try to find out the calibre of your tour escort – are they just a courier or a horticultural specialist with plenty of knowledge?

■ Consider the schedule carefully. How many gardens a day will you be covering? You might only be doing three or four gardens in the whole tour and be at the hotel the rest of the time.

■ Watch out for the term 'private visits' because the garden may be privately owned but open sometimes to the public. You may be greeted by crowds if you go on a day when it's open to the public.

■ Don't always go for the peak time. There's a broader season and lots to see – without the crowds.

■ Check group sizes. A good yardstick is 25 maximum to be able to see and hear most things, but if you are visiting a small garden, even that can be too many.

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Highlights and goals from today's fixtures across three divisions. Weatherview. 12.55 BBC News.	6.00 Close. 7.30 Great British Menu. Also, 8, 8.30, 9 and 9.30. 10.00 A History of Britain by Simon Schama. 11.00 Meet the Ancestors. 11.30 Map Man. 12.00 Indian Food Made Easy. 12.30 Mastermind. 1.00 University Challenge. Pembroke College, Cambridge, takes on St George's, University of London. 1.30 Talking Pictures. A profile of American film actor Tony Curtis. Last in the series. 2.15 FILM: The Black Shield of Falworth (1954). Adventure, starring Tony Curtis. 3.50 Coas 4.00 Flog It! 4.30 Final Score. Round-up of football results. 5.15 Live Cycling: World Track Championships. Day four from Minsk. 7.00 Top Gear. Jeremy Clarkson puts the new Kia Cee'd through a rigorous but peculiar road test. 8.30 A Wolf Called Storm: Natural World Special. Cameraman Jeff Turner spends a year following the lives of a wolf and its pack in the north of Canada. 9.30 Howard Goodall's Story of Music. 10.30 Funny Business. Last in the series. 11.30 FILM: The Men Who Stare at Goats (2009). Satirical comedy.	6.00 CITV: Handy Manny. 6.10 Handy Manny. 6.25 The Hive. 6.35 The Hive. 6.45 Dino Dan. 7.00 Dino Dan. 7.10 Animals. 7.20 Animals. 7.25 Bookaboo. 7.40 Matt Hatter Chronicles. 8.05 Kick Buttowski - Suburban Daredevil. Also, 8.15. 8.30 Victorious. 9.00 Jessie. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 10.25 My Tasty Travels with Lynda Bellingham. 11.25 Dinner Date. 12.25 Countrywise. 12.40 ITV News and Weather. 12.45 FILM: Carry On Up the Jungle (1970). 2.30 The Chase: Celebrity Special. 3.30 Midsomer Murders. John Nettles' final episode. 5.30 ITV News Anglia; Weather. 5.45 ITV News and Weather. 6.00 Totally You've Been Framed! 7.00 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway. 8.20 Take Me Out. 9.50 The Jonathan Ross Show. 10.50 ITV News and Weather. 11.05 FILM: The Gauntlet (1977). A downbeat cop sets out to escort a prostitute across America so she can give evidence in a high-profile Mob trial. However, corrupt officials are bent on ensuring she never makes it to court. Jackpot247.	6.05 Sali Mali. 6.10 The Hoobs. 6.35 The Hoobs. 7.00 Will & Grace. 7.25 Freepsports on 4. 7.55 The Morning Line. 8.55 Everybody Loves Raymond. 9.20 Everybody Loves Raymond. 9.50 Frasier. 10.20 Frasier. 10.50 The Big Bang Theory. 11.20 The Big Bang Theory. 11.45 The Simpsons. 12.10 The Simpsons. Homer has a heart attack. (R) (T) 12.40 Secret Millionaire Ireland. 1.45 Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Kempton Park and Newcastle. 4.05 Come Dine with Me. The dinner party challenge hits Portsmouth. Also, 4.35, 5.05, 5.40 and 6.10. 6.40 Channel 4 News. 6.55 4thought.tv. 7.00 The Queen's Mother in Law. The story of Prince Philip's mother Princess Alice, a great-granddaughter of Queen Victoria who turned her back on royal life to work with the poor in Greece. 8.00 Kevin McCloud's Man Made Home. 9.00 FILM: Terminator Salvation (2009). Sci-fi thriller sequel, with Christian Bale and Sam Worthington. 11.10 FILM: Rising Sun (1993). Thriller, with Sean Connery. Southland. 1.35 Southland. 2.15 Hollyoaks.	6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. 6.05 Roary the Racing Car. 6.15 Fifi and the Flowerpots. 6.25 The Mr Men Show. 6.40 Olive the Ostrich. 6.45 Abby's Flying Fairy School. 6.55 Roobarb and Custard Too. 7.05 Bananas in Pyjamas. 7.15 Animal Antics 7.25 Make Way for Noddy. 7.40 City of Friends. 7.55 Little Princess. 8.10 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. 8.30 Angelina Ballerina. 8.45 Rupert Bear. 9.00 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. 9.15 Toby's Travelling Circus. 9.25 Roary the Racing Car. 9.40 Jelly Jamm. 10.00 Power Rangers Samurai. 10.35 Batman: The Brave and the Bold. 11.10 Looney Tunes. 11.20 Looney Tunes. 11.55 Police Interceptors. (R) (T) 12.55 FILM: I Dream of Murder (2006). Mystery, starring Jolene Blalock. 2.40 FILM: Corrina, Corrina (1994). Family drama. 4.55 5 News Weekend. (T) 5.00 FILM: Columbo: Ransom for a Dead Man (1971). 6.55 CSI: NY. 7.40 NCIS. 8.35 NCIS. 9.30 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. 10.25 Law & Order: Criminal Intent. 11.25 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. A man dies from overeating. 12.15 SuperCasino.



Let's Dance for Comic Relief
BBC1, Saturday, 7pm.



Top Gear
BBC2, Saturday, 7pm.



Deadly 60 on a Mission
BBC1, Sunday, 6.05pm.



Deal Or No Deal
Channel 4, Sunday, 5.20pm.

SUNDAY

BBC1	BBC2	ITV	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5
6.00 Breakfast. 7.35 Match of the Day. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Countryfile. 11.55 Weather for the Week Ahead. 12.00 BBC News. 12.05 Bargain Hunt. 12.30 Call the Midwife. 1.30 Live Six Nations Rugby Union. Scotland v Ireland (Kick-off 2.00pm). 4.00 Escape to the Country. Two retired police officers search for a property in Lincolnshire. 4.30 Songs of Praise. 5.05 Penguins - Spy in the Huddle. The chicks take their first steps into the world. 6.05 Deadly 60 on a Mission. New series. Steve Backshall continues his quest to encounter the world's 60 deadliest animals. 6.35 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 7.00 Countryfile. 8.00 Call the Midwife. With the advent of a mass X-ray programme to diagnose tuberculosis early, Dr Turner is determined that Poplar will no longer live under the threat of the disease. 9.00 Ripper Street. 10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 10.25 Match of the Day 2. 11.25 The League Cup Show. Bradford City v Swansea City. 12.05 The Apprentice USA. 12.50 The Apprentice USA.	6.20 FILM: Once Upon a Honeymoon (1942). Comedy. 8.15 Life in a Cottage Garden with Carol Klein. 8.45 A to Z of TV Gardening. (C) 9.30 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. 11.00 Live Cycling: World Track Championships. Day five from Minsk. (C) 2.05 EastEnders. Omnibus. (R) 4.00 The Lions' Roar. The British Lions' 1974 tour of South Africa. 4.30 Flog It! 5.15 Restoration Home. 6.15 Food & Drink. 6.45 Ski Sunday. Graham Bell presents highlights of the women's World Cup downhill in Meribel, while Ed Leigh reports on Britain's slopestyle hopefuls from Laax. 7.30 Open All Hours. 8.00 Top Gear. James McAvoy drives the Reasonably Priced Car. 9.00 Wonders of Life. Professor Brian Cox considers what makes Earth a home for life and asks what ingredients were necessary to transform this once barren planet. Last in the series. 10.00 Dancing on the Edge. 11.05 Six Nations Rugby Union. Highlights of the third weekend of this year's event. 11.50 FILM: 10 Rillington Place (1971). Fact-based thriller based on the story of John Christie. 1.40 Sign Zone: Holby City.	6.00 CITV: Handy Manny. 6.10 Handy Manny. 6.25 The Hive. 6.35 The Hive. 6.45 Dino Dan. 7.00 Dino Dan. 7.10 Animals. 7.20 Animals. 7.25 Bookaboo. 7.40 Matt Hatter Chronicles. 8.05 Rated A for Awesome. 8.15 Rated A for Awesome. 8.30 Almost Naked Animals. 8.45 Almost Naked Animals. 9.00 The Aquabats Super Show. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 10.25 Murder, She Wrote. 11.25 Dickinson's Real Deal. 12.25 ITV News and Weather. 12.30 FILM: Carry On Henry (1971). 2.15 Doc Martin. 3.15 Agatha Christie's Marple. 5.15 You've Been Framed! 5.45 ITV News Anglia; Weather. 6.00 ITV News and Weather. 6.15 Dancing on Ice. The skaters get to grips with props in their routines. 7.45 All Star Family Fortunes. 8.30 Dancing on Ice: The Skate Off. 9.00 Mr Selfridge. Old family friends Frank and Jennie Woolworth arrive in London and Harry is suspicious. 10.00 ITV News at Ten and Weather. 10.15 Her Majesty's Prison - Aylesbury. 11.15 Premiership Rugby Union. 12.15 The Store.	6.00 Kirstie's Handmade Treasures. 6.20 The Hoobs. 6.45 The Hoobs. 7.10 Will & Grace. 7.35 Everybody Loves Raymond. 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. 8.30 Frasier. 9.00 Frasier. 9.30 Sunday Brunch. 12.10 The Big Bang Theory. 12.40 The Big Bang Theory. 1.10 The Simpsons. 1.40 The Simpsons. 2.10 FILM: The Wedding Planner (2001). Romantic comedy, Time Team. 4.20 Deal or No Deal. 5.20 Channel 4 News. 6.20 The Political Slot. 6.55 4thought.tv. 7.00 Ottolenghi's Mediterranean Feast. New series. Chef Yotam Ottolenghi travels the south and eastern Mediterranean to explore its cuisine. He begins his journey in Marrakech, tasting the Moroccan city's street food. 8.00 A Great British Air Disaster. The story of the rise and fall of the De Havilland Comet, the world's first passenger jet. 9.00 FILM: Unstoppable (2010). Premiere. Action thriller, the final film from director Tony Scott. 10.50 FILM: Runaway Jury (2003). Courtroom thriller. 1.10 Chris Addison: My Funniest Year.	6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. 6.05 Roary the Racing Car. 6.15 Fifi and the Flowerpots. 6.25 Bert & Ernie's Great Adventures. 6.30 The Mr Men Show. 6.45 Olive the Ostrich. 6.50 Abby's Flying Fairy School. 7.00 Roobarb and Custard Too. 7.10 Bananas in Pyjamas. 7.20 Animal Antics. 7.30 Make Way for Noddy. 7.40 City of Friends. 7.50 Little Princess. 8.05 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. 8.20 Mio Mao. 8.25 Angelina Ballerina. 8.45 Rupert Bear. 9.00 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. 9.15 Toby's Travelling Circus. 9.30 Roary the Racing Car. 9.45 Jelly Jamm. 10.00 Power Rangers Samurai. 10.35 Batman: The Brave and the Bold. 11.10 Looney Tunes. 11.20 Looney Tunes. 11.50 Once Upon a Time. 12.15 Cowboy Builders. 1.20 FILM: Winnie the Pooh: Springtime with Roo (2004). 2.35 FILM: Stuart Little 2 (2002). 4.05 FILM: To Hell and Back (1955). Biopic, starring Audie Murphy as himself. 6.10 Beat the Ancestors. 7.05 FILM: Mosquito Squadron (1968). WW2 Drama. 8.55 5 News Weekend. 9.00 Person of Interest. 10.00 FILM: Saw: The Final Chapter (2010). Premiere. 11.50 The Exorcist: The True Story. 12.50 SuperCasino.

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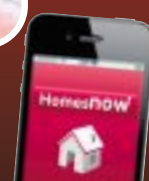
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HAVERHILL £142,000



A great opportunity to purchase this mid terraced property located on the Cambridge side of town. The property benefits from good sized accommodation to include a porch, large lounge/dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms and a family bathroom. No onward chain.

HAVERHILL £126,500

NEW



A great opportunity as an Investment Purchase or for a First Time Buyer is this mid terrace family home located on the Chimswell Estate. The property benefits from good sized accommodation to include lounge, kitchen/diner, ground floor cloakroom, three bedrooms and a family bathroom.

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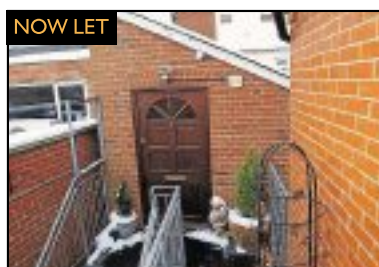
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NEW



Hundon £229,950

A charming and tastefully modernised two bedroom detached cottage centrally located in the attractive village of Hundon. The cottage has been improved in recent years with an extension to the rear providing a larger kitchen and separate dining room. Outside is generous garden backing onto paddocks.. 85 sq.m. (914 sq.ft.) net. (EPC Rating E)



Helions Bumpstead £340,000

An exceptionally well presented and spacious four bedroom detached property set in an elevated position within the highly desirable village of Helions Bumpstead and enjoying pleasant gardens to the front and rear. (EPC Rating D).



Haverhill £250,000

A spacious & rare four bedroom Victorian family home refurbished to high standard. The property benefits from three generous reception rooms, attractive kitchen & utility room, garage & off street parking. The property enjoys a private rear garden and also a 30'5" x 12'6" summer house. 183 sq.m. (1969 sq.m.) Net. (EPC rating E)

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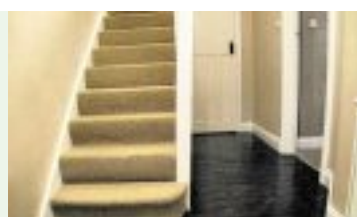
FEATURE HOME



Haverhill

£250,000

A spacious four bedroom detached family home located on the popular Roman Way development. The property enjoys a generous rear garden, double garage and has benefitted from the addition of a conservatory. 152 sq.m, (1646 sq.ft.) net. (EPC Rating D)



Haverhill

£249,950

An attractive double fronted four bedroom detached house nicely situated at the head of a small cul de sac on the Cambridge side of town. The property benefits from three reception rooms, generous rear garden & a double garage. 115 sq.m. (1237 sq.ft.) net. (EPC Rating D)

Haverhill

£169,950

An exceptionally well presented three bedroom semi-detached property located in a popular residential area within close proximity to the town centre and its amenities. The property benefits from a re-fitted kitchen / diner, pleasant rear garden and also has a driveway providing off road parking for several vehicles. 75 sq.Ms (807 sq.Ft.) net. (epc rating D)



Haverhill

£196,950

A rather special three bedroom detached property situated in a private cul-de-sac of only two dwellings located on the Poppy Fields development. The property in brief benefits from a kitchen/diner, conservatory, en-suite shower room, single garage and driveway. (EPC Rating C)



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A beautifully presented and spacious four bedroom detached family home situated at the head of a pleasant cul de sac on Boyton Hall development. The property has been extensively updated and occupies an extremely generous plot. 134 sq.m. (1442 sq.ft.) net.



Haverhill

£159,950

A modern three bedroom property set in an elevated position on the well regarded Poppy Fields development and benefiting from lounge/diner, conservatory, en-suite shower and single garage en-bloc. (EPC Rating C)

NEW



Haverhill

£129,950

A spacious and well presented three bedroom end of terrace property situated on the outskirts of the Clements development also benefiting from sitting room with open fireplace, fitted kitchen and good sized rear garden. No stamp duty payable. (EPC Rating E).



Steeple Bumpstead

£155,000

A charming three bedroom character cottage, in need of some updating, located in the popular village of Steeple Bumpstead. The property benefits from a rear extension, attractive fireplace, single garage and allocated parking. (EPC Rating F).



Haverhill

£173,950

A beautifully presented three bedroom semi detached house located on the Hanchett Meadows on the Cambridge side of town. The property benefits from a conservatory, single integral garage and a south facing rear garden. 71 sq.m. (764 sq.ft.) net. (EPC Rating C)



Haverhill

£145,000

A deceptively spacious three bedroom Victorian property benefiting from a double story extension, usable cellar, re-fitted kitchen and generous rear garden. 95 sq.m. (1022 sq.ft.) net. (EPC Rating D)



Haverhill

£120,000

A spacious three bedroom property situated on the Chimswell development in brief benefiting from sitting room, kitchen/dining room and pleasant rear garden. (EPC Rating D).

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£695,000

A truly stunning and extremely generous Victorian family home situated in an idyllic setting overlooking one of the village's greens as well as enjoying beautiful rolling countryside views to the rear. Benefits include five spacious bedrooms, four reception rooms and a conservatory and sits in a plot of around half an acre.

This late Victorian residence has been updated and improved to a high standard by the present owners, retaining many original features including fireplaces, moulded cornices and deep moulded skirting's. The period features have been sympathetically blended with a number of renovation/restoration works including new bathroom/shower room suites, fitted kitchen, sash style sealed unit double glazing and central heating providing a comfortable modern living arrangement. Outside is a wonderful plot of around half an acre with features such as a heated swimming pool, 20' x 16' summer house and picturesque countryside views. The gross internal floor area measures approximately 3189 Sq Ft / 296 Sq M. (sts).



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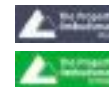




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NEW LISTING **NO ONWARD CHAIN**
Chapple Drive **£164,950**

Semi-detached bungalow located on the popular Hales Barn development offering lounge, kitchen, conservatory, two bedrooms, bathroom, front & rear gardens, detached garage, driveway and g/f c/h. No Onward Chain



NEW PRICE
Glemsford Place **£125,000**

Mid-terraced family house offering lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, rear garden, UPVC double glazing, g/f c/h & no onward chain.



Henderson Close

Well presented detached family house on the Cambridge side of town offering re-fitted g/f cloakroom, lounge, kitchen, dining room, three bedrooms, re-fitted en-suite to master, re-fitted bathroom, front & rear gardens, garage, g/f c/h & UPVC double glazing

£197,500

NEW PRICE
Dovehouse Road **£259,950**

Attractive detached family home situated in a quiet cul-de-sac, close to town, g/f cloakroom, kitchen/family room, lounge/dining room, study, four good size bedrooms, en-suite & family bathroom, detached double garage & secluded gardens



NEW PRICE **VIDEO PRESENTATION AVAILABLE**
Marcus Close **£250,000**

Well presented detached family home located in a popular residential location offering g/f cloakroom, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, study, four bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom & en-suite to master, front & rear gardens, garage & driveway. No Onward Chain



Kings Meadow, Kedington **£162,500**

Well presented semi-detached bungalow offering lounge, re-fitted kitchen/diner, two bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, front & rear gardens & g/f c/h. Early Inspection Highly Recommended



Crowland Road **£149,995**

Semi-detached family house in an elevated position offering lounge, kitchen/diner, conservatory, re-fitted ground floor bathroom, three bedrooms, front & rear gardens, g/f c/h, UPVC double glazed windows & doors



NEW PRICE
Vanners Road **£162,500**

Semi-detached family house located close to town offering g/f cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/diner, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, front & rear gardens, driveway & g/f c/h. Offered with no onward chain



Eastern Avenue **£254,950**

Well presented extended detached family house offering l-shaped kitchen, g/f cloakroom, study, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, g/f c/h, garage & ample parking, front & rear gardens & UPVC double glazing



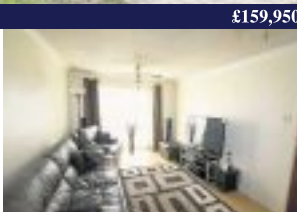
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Stambourne **£324,950**

Extended detached family house in a popular village location offering lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, three bedrooms, en-suite, family bathroom, good size rear garden, ample parking, garage & open countryside views



NEW LISTING
Sandpiper Close **£159,950**

End of terrace family house situated on the sought after Bird estate offering g/f cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, bathroom, front & rear gardens, garage, driveway, g/f c/h and UPVC double glazing.



NO ONWARD CHAIN
Chaplains Close **£195,000**

Detached family house located on the popular Hales Barn development offering lounge, kitchen, dining room, four bedrooms, bathroom, front & rear gardens, UPVC double glazed (where stated), garage & driveway. Offered with No Onward Chain



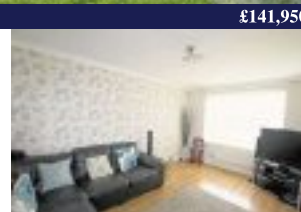
Silver Street, Kedington **£395,000**

Double-fronted period detached family house offering split level living/dining room, sitting room, study, cellar, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, cloakroom, sun room, four bedrooms, bathroom, en-suite to third bedroom, rear garden, independent driveway



NEW LISTING **NO ONWARD CHAIN**
Poplar Walk **£141,950**

Well presented semi-detached family house offering g/f cloakroom, lounge, re-fitted kitchen/diner, four bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, generous corner plot, garage and no onward chain. Viewing highly recommended





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Crowland Road **£134,000**

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Dunwich Court **£275,000**

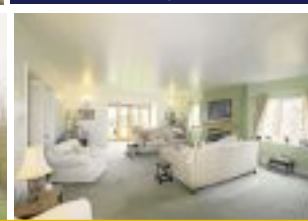
Well presented detached family house located on the popular Cambridge side of town offering lounge, dining room, study, re-fitted g/f cloakroom, UPVC conservatory, windows & doors, re-fitted kitchen, utility room, four bedrooms, bathroom & re-fitted en-suite, double garage & driveway



Cock Hill, Kedington

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Sandpiper Close **£154,950**

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The Parsonage, Helions Bumpstead **£310,000**

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Ickleton Place **£695 pcm**

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TO LET



West End Lane, Kedington **£695 pcm**

Semi-detached family house located in a popular village offering lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, bathroom, g/f c/h, front & rear gardens and garage. Avail Mid-March 2013. Regret No Pets, Smokers or DHSS.

TO LET



Jay Close **£575 pcm**

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Property

at a glance

- Spacious family house
- On the market for £585,000
- Well presented
- Five bedrooms



THIS superb detached period house with 1.2 acres of land is situated in a quiet rural location, Withersfield Road in the lovely village of Great Wratting. On the market for £585,000, it has spacious and characterful

accommodation including an entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, snug, kitchen/breakfast room, garden room, utility room, bathroom, three bedrooms, two en suites and dressing room/bedroom 4.

Outside is a double garage, stable block with two loose boxes, tack room/store, workshop, and generous grounds.

To arrange a viewing, call David Burr's Clare office on (01787) 277811.

On the market for £265,000 in Kedington



THIS semi-detached family home in Barton Grove, Kedington, has been enlarged with a two-storey extension.

On the market for £265,000, it has spacious and well-presented living accommodation including an entrance hall, cloakroom, utility room, family room with vaulted ceiling, living room, study, modern kitchen opening on to the garden, master bedroom with en suite shower room, three further bedrooms and a family bathroom.

There is also ample parking, a garage, and a mature garden.

To view the property call Balmforth on (01440) 707976.



On the market for £349,995 in Burwell



THIS individual detached house is in Toyse Lane, a non-estate location in Burwell.

On the market for £349,995, it has cleverly extended and tastefully decorated accommodation including an entrance hall with superb storage, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, living room with fireplace, dining

room, impressive conservatory, two en suite bedrooms, three further bedrooms and a family bathroom.

There is also a driveway with ample parking and a pretty enclosed garden with a decking area. Call Morris Armitage on (01440) 768668 to arrange a viewing.



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Haverhill

£195,000

A well presented detached 3 bedroom property situated in a prime residential development with views over the green. The property benefits from UPVC double glazing, gas fired radiator central heating, garage and driveway, and enclosed gardens to the rear.

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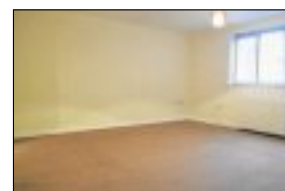


Barnardiston

£325,000

Set in this delightful hamlet overlooking the Parish Church this 3/4 bedroom detached house is situated within a splendid garden with panoramic countryside views. The property offers versatile accommodation arranged on two floors and has the potential to extend subject to planning regulations

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£114,000

Bychoice are please to offer this well presented and recently re-decorated 2 bedroom flat in the popular Waters Edge development. The property benefits from fitted kitchen and bathroom and has allocated parking. Property is ideal for first time buyer or investors.

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Cavendish £235,000

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Haverhill £169,995

A well presented 3 bedroom end of terrace property situated on the popular Cambridge side of the town. The property has undergone a loft conversion creating a master bedroom with ensuite.

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3 bedroom semi detached house benefitting from Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Conservatory, Ensuite to Master, Garage and Own Drive. NO ONWARD CHAIN.

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Steeple Bumpstead £229,950

Detached 2 bedroom bungalow benefitting from a small cul de sac location. The property boasts a kitchen/diner, lounge, conservatory and garage. NO ONWARD CHAIN.

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Haverhill Guide Price £150,000

Guide Price £150,000 - £160,000. 3 Bedroom end of terrace house. Benefitting from a well proportioned fitted kitchen/breakfast room & a 90' rear garden. NO ONWARD CHAIN.

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Newmarket OIEO £230,000

A beautifully presented and completely refurbished detached bungalow. The property benefits from engineered oak flooring, oak veneer doors, newly fitted kitchen with corian worktops, new central heating and UPVC double glazing, garage, parking and enclosed gardens.

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Haverhill Guide Price £135,000

Guide price £135,000 - £140,000. Well presented modern 2 bedroom family home offering a lounge/diner, fitted kitchen & bathroom front & rear gardens & parking for 2 cars.

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Haverhill £159,995

Bychoice are pleased to offer this well presented 3 bedroom terrace house in convenient town centre location. The property benefits from 3 decent size bedrooms, fitted kitchen and lounge/diner.

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Haverhill £159,995

Bychoice are pleased to offer this well presented 2 bedroom semi detached bungalow within walking distance to the town centre. Benefits include garage & rear garden & is offered with no onward chain.

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Clare £215,000

This well presented 3 bedroom semi detached home benefits from having been extended on the ground floor, providing a 21' x 15' Kitchen/Dining Room, in addition to the 22' Lounge.

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Haverhill £164,995

A well presented 2 bedroom semi detached bungalow situated in a sought after town location. The property has the benefit of gas fired radiator central heating, double glazing, fitted kitchen, driveway and single garage, conservatory and fantastic landscaped gardens to the rear.

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Kedington £185,000

A spacious 3 bedroom semi detached house situated on the edge of this popular development in the sought after village of Kedington. Accommodation comprises of a generous Kitchen/Diner & separate Lounge, Conservatory, Downstairs WC, Ensuite to master and upstairs Family Bathroom.

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Haverhill OIRO £170,000

Bychoice are delighted to offer this well presented end of terrace 3 bedroom house with a generous landscaped garden and carport to rear on the popular meadowlands development.

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Haverhill £180,000

Well presented 3 bedroom end of terrace house. The property lends itself to future development with large side garden. The property benefits from a conservatory and detached garage. NO ONWARD CHAIN.

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Haverhill £150,000

Well positioned end of terrace family home offering 3 good size bedrooms. Comprising of lounge, dining area, kitchen, family bathroom near garden. Potentially offered with no onward chain if required.

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Haverhill £185,000

Good size 3 bedroom family home. Accommodation comprising of lounge, kitchen, ground floor WC, modern fitted family bathroom, front & rear gardens, garage & driveway. NO ONWARD CHAIN.

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Haverhill £269,950

A well extended detached three bedroom bungalow. The property lies on the edge of the popular Roman Way development and is set on a fantastic sized plot with beautiful landscaped gardens offering a great degree of seclusion and privacy.

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Hempstead £369,995

Set in the sought after village of Hempstead is this attractive grade II listed 3 bedroom detached cottage, providing deceptively large living accommodation.

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Kedington OIEO £195,000

4 bedroom end of terrace property built under a year ago, benefitting from double glazing, gas central heating/underfloor heating, kitchen/diner, ensuite to master bedroom, parking & garden.

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Poslingford OIEO £200,000

This unique 2 bedroom Victorian cottage has been beautifully decorated with high quality fittings & materials used throughout, retaining original features.

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Clare £229,995

This 3 bedroom detached home benefits from a larger than average rear garden, lounge/diner, kitchen/breakfast room, ground floor WC and garage with parking for several cars in front.

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Cavendish £147,500

A 2 bedroom end terraced property. The accommodation is split over three floors, providing 2 bedrooms, lounge, fitted kitchen, first floor bathroom & garden. Viewing is highly recommended.

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Stoke By Clare OIEO £150,000

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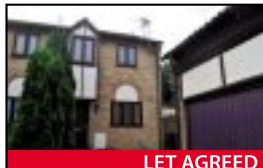
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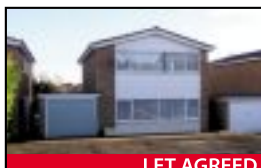
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- Lounge

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We are acting for the mortgagees and have received an offer of £122,000 on the above

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- Front & Rear Gardens

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EPC D

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- Three Bedrooms
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- In Need of Modernisation

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- Four Bedrooms
- Detached Family Property
- Rear Garden

Ridgewell



EPC G

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- Two Bedroom Detached Cottage
- Popular Village Location
- No Onward Chain

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- Lounge/Diner
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Kedington



EPC D

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- Double Garage
- Front & Rear Gardens

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EPC E

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- Utility room
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- 4 Bedrooms, en-suite to master
- Kitchen & utility room
- Lounge & family room
- Study
- Cloakroom
- EPC Grade C

£265,000



SHADOWBUSH CLOSE

A SUPERBLY POSITIONED DETACHED FAMILY HOME, LOCATED ON THE POPULAR ARRENDENE DEVELOPMENT AND OFFERED WITH NO ONWARD CHAIN

- 3 Bedrooms
- Double glazed
- Updated bathroom & kitchen
- Lounge/dining room
- Cloakroom
- Epc Grade D

£192,950



BRAMBLE CLOSE

A SUPERBLY PRESENTED AND EXTENDED SEMI DETACHED FAMILY HOME, LOCATED IN A DELIGHTFUL CUL DE SAC POSITION ON THE CAMBRIDGE SIDE OF TOWN

- 3 Bedrooms
- Double glazed
- Refitted kitchen/dining room
- Family room
- Cloakroom
- EPC Grade D

£165,995

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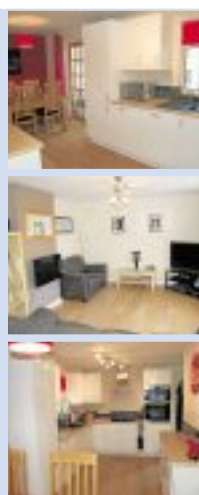


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- Conservatory
- EPC Grade E

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£550 PCM



HORSHAM CLOSE

AVAILABLE MARCH

Unfurnished modern house comprises lounge / dining room, fitted kitchen including cooker, 2 first floor bedrooms, bathroom, single garage and garden.

£650 PCM



BETONY WALK

AVAILABLE NOW

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£695 PCM



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Crowland Road OIEO £189,995

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Burton End £135,000


This 2 bedroom detached property offers spacious accommodation along with allocated parking. Presented to a high standard with re-fitted kitchen and bathroom. EPC Rating - D

NO CHAIN



Dalham Place £125,000

3 bedroom mid-terrace property situated on the popular 'Chalkstone Development'. Accommodation comprises downstairs cloakroom and 2 Reception Rooms, must be viewed. EPC Rating - D



Brybank Road £172,000

A three bedroom end of terrace home on the Cambridge side of town, offering well presented accommodation, en-suite to master bedroom and single garage. EPC Rating - C

NO CHAIN



Bower Hall Drive £209,995

Detached two bedroom bungalow in the village of Steeple Bumpstead, the property has undergone extensive renovation with newly fitted Kitchen & Bathroom. EPC Rating - D




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Extended 4 bed semi-detached home in Hunden. The property sits on a good sized plot and has potential for further extensions. EPC Rating - D



Munnings Close £265,000

We are pleased to offer this well presented 4 bedroom detached property. Modern fitted kitchen, re-fitted bathroom, conservatory, study and off road parking. EPC Rating - C



NO CHAIN



Dovehouse Road £132,995

2 Bedroom mid-terrace property, close to town centre. The property benefits from having re-fitted bathroom, single garage and additional off road parking. EPC Rating - D



Falcon Close £97,500

Well presented spacious two bedroom first floor flat on the popular Bird Estate. Large lounge, Gas fired radiator heating, Double glazed windows. EPC Rating - C

NO CHAIN



Six Mile Bottom £95,000

A well presented 1 bedroom ground floor apartment. The property offers excellent road links to Newmarket, Cambridge and the M11 for London. EPC Rating - D



Meadowsweet Close £169,995

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NO CHAIN



Chantry Road OIEO £145,000

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Elmdon Place, Haverhill £695pcm

Three bed mid terrace house on the popular Chalkstone estate. Lounge, kitchen/diner, family bathroom, 2 double bedrooms and 1 single, garden and parking.



Munnings Close, Haverhill £530pcm

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RETAIL demand for used cars is stronger than at any time since September last year, according to CAP Automotive, the car information experts.

Research for CAP Black Book Live – the only independent real-time guide to used car trade values – reveals a number of increasingly positive market indicators since the start of 2013.

These range from the mood and buying activity at auctions to consumer retail demand on the forecourt.

But dealers are still reporting difficulty in sourcing good quality used car stock for retail following the reduction in new car registrations of recent years. And that problem may worsen as increasing numbers of poor condition cars with high mileage continue returning to the market.

Coupled with dealer caution over becoming over-stocked, this shortage of 'prime' retail stock is keeping forecourts only around 80 per cent full.

Black Book Live – which tracks market prices in real time – has been reporting general stability in trade values. Derren Martin, senior

editor for CAP Black Book Live, said: "We are seeing what we describe as a good 'buzz' around the auction halls, with plenty of appetite from dealers for the best quality stock – when they can find it."

"Some auction sales have seen conversion rates up to 20 per cent better than during the same period last year and the dealers we speak to are generally happy with the level of retail interest they are seeing."

"We keep a close watch on the market every day and there have been some signs that increased short term rental business for some model ranges is starting to bring higher volumes into the marketplace. When that happens, prices tend to reduce but at the moment stability is the watchword in the current trade market."

Meanwhile, CAP has launched a new unique window on to 'inside information' from the motor trade, now opened up to motorists for the first time by CAP Automotive, the car information experts.

It signals a move by CAP to bring good motor dealers together with better-informed motorists to build trust and ultimately smooth the car-

buying process for both sides.

And CAP's expert editors – who research the car and van trade every day – have joined the world of social media as the business steps out of the shadows after 34 years of operating effectively behind the scenes in the UK automotive industry. They can now be found on Twitter as well as writing blogs and joining public discussions on web forums.

The unveiling of CAP's new 'open to all' website at www.cap.co.uk means motorists as well as trade professionals can now read honest and independent new model 'first drive' impressions by CAP's experts and get the inside track on used car and van market trends, facts and opinions.

CAP has long been the 'go to' trusted source of independent insight for automotive professionals. But this is the first time CAP has opened the window to consumers on its motor trade and industry insider intelligence since the company was founded in 1979, when it launched the 'trade-confidential' Black Book guide to used car values.

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New Clio Renaultsport 200 on the way

ON the back of significant acclaim for New Clio, Renault's now laying down the gauntlet to the "hot" supermini brigade with confirmation of the latest details for the New Clio Renaultsport 200 Turbo.

The new model takes things to a whole new level, both in terms of overall driver appeal and being able to enjoy every day. Under its

sleek five-door bodyshell, New Clio Renaultsport 200 Turbo packs the new Renaultsport-developed 200hp, 1.6-litre turbo petrol engine, as well as its performance arm's first EDC (Efficient Dual Clutch) transmission.

Naturally, there is a liberal sprinkling of Renaultsport's magic, including a few tricks learned from its motor

sport success. Combine this with Renault's very latest thinking when it comes to comfort and versatility, and you have a compelling car which is great to drive and easy to live with. But, when the mood takes them, drivers can also let it off its leash to become a genuine performance car, as well as a potent trackday car. In addition to its

sensuous styling, the new Clio Renaultsport 200 Turbo combines class-leading dynamics with impressively reduced fuel consumption and emissions, down by almost a quarter, so that it's even cheaper to own.

UK pricing will be confirmed on February 28.

Ordering opens in April with first deliveries in June.



Compelling: The order book for Renault's new Clio Renaultsport 200 opens in April.

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Sharp styling and spec sets Chevrolet's new Aveo apart

THE Chevrolet Aveo didn't make a huge dent in the consciousness of supermini buyers first time round but you won't miss this second generation model, writes Andy Enright.

With ultra-sharp styling it's one that will turn heads. Best value across the line-up is arguably the variant we're looking at here, the 1.3 VCDi Eco diesel, which puts out just 95g/km of CO2.

The latest Aveo rides on the new General Motors Gamma III chassis, a development of the Vauxhall Corsa underpinnings. This results in better chassis rigidity, which in turn allows the suspension to work more effectively. The old Aveo was no great shakes in the engine department and Chevrolet still have a little work to do in that department to match the class best in terms of efficiency, which is an important measuring stick as to engineering ability.

If you're a typical Aveo buyer, then you probably won't care very much what goes on under the bonnet or how adept your car will be at



Credible: There's lots to like about Chevrolet's new Aveo which is available now from Cambridge Chevrolet.

tackling your favourite twisty B road. In fact, you probably won't have a favourite twisty B road. So you won't care that there are no really performance-minded engines in the range, that the steering is a little light and that body-roll is a little more pronounced than you'll find in something more Fiesta-like. You'll be more interested instead in stuff that's of

greater importance every day – namely levels of ride and refinement that are as good as anything in the class, including small cars that are a great deal more expensive than this one.

Here, we're testing the greenest diesel version, the 95PS 1.3 VCDi Eco. Planet-friendly it may be but this unit still endows this Chevy with a reasonable turn of speed. Rest



to sixty occupies 11.7 seconds on the way to 107mph.

The latest Aveo certainly has distinctive and handsome styling going for it which, in the supermini market, counts for a lot. In a morass of lookalike, inoffensive blobs, the Aveo has some attitude, the barrel-like quad headlamps lending it real presence. The deeply sculpted flanks are also a good deal

more dynamic than usual supermini fare, while the high roofline and kicked up tail end are both very well executed.

How to judge the Chevrolet Aveo? A budget supermini that looks as if it's about to spit fire yet serves up decidedly modest performance, it's certainly not anodyne. Sense and sensibility remain its key



Attitude: The Chevrolet Aveo has excellent values.

virtues and no variant in the range exemplifies these attributes better than the 1.3 VCDi 95PS Eco model we've been looking at here.

Overall, if you tend towards a car that challenges your perception of what small cars should be and how they should perform, you'll find plenty to like about the Aveo. At last it has a diesel engine. And at last, it's a really credible supermini contender.

factfile

Car Chevrolet Aveo 1.3 LT VCDi Ecodiesel
Price £13,035
Top speed 108mph
0-60mph 11.7 seconds
Economy (Comb'd) 78.4mpg
Emissions 95g/km
Insurance Group 9
Safety features Electronic stability control; ABS; twin front and side airbags

Seat takes the wraps off new three-door Leon SC

THE wraps have been taken off the new three-door Seat Leon SC, revealing a shorter wheelbase and a different side profile to differentiate it from the five-door.

Reducing the wheelbase by 35mm makes the SC more agile than the five-door, while a more steeply raked rear windscreen gives it a sportier, more aggressive

silhouette.

The car is, on paper, otherwise much the same as the existing Leon hatchback, sharing the same range of petrol and diesel engines, and the wheelbase change hasn't affected boot space or rear headroom.

The turbocharged petrol engine range starts with the 104bhp 1.2 TSI, with a

138bhp 1.4 and a 177bhp 1.8 above it. There are also 1.6-litre and 2.0-litre choices, with the 104bhp 1.6 TDI pushing out 99g/km of CO2, and the arguably more impressive 2.0-litre with 148bhp emits just 106g/km.

Set to be officially unveiled at the Geneva Motor Show, the order books are expected to open shortly afterwards.



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Alfa's 4C: 'Compact supercar' has 'revolutionary' features.

PICTURES of the Alfa Romeo 4C have been released ahead of the car's official unveiling at the Geneva Motor Show.

The tiny sports car is less than 4m long – the same as a Ford Fiesta – but 2m wide and just 1.18m tall for cornering stability.

It promises huge performance from a 1.75-litre turbocharged all-aluminium petrol engine, with a power-to-weight ratio claimed to be more than 250bhp per tonne.

The engine is an evolution of the unit already seen in the

Giulietta Quadrifoglio Verde. To make sure it meets the highest expectations, the car has been co-developed by Maserati alongside engineers from Alfa.

Alfa says it has designed a "revolutionary scavenging control system" that reduces turbo lag to almost zero.

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» Youth football

Bates strike settles issue

Red Lodge 0 Thurlow 1
CAMBRIDGE & DISTRICT COLTS LEAGUE,
UNDER-16B

A DEPLETED Thurlow side had no substitutes to call on, but still proved more than equal to the task in a physical match.

Kyle Easton, Harry Eden and Jack Sewell were superb as they came to terms with a back-three formation forced on them by missing players.

The first half was goalless, with few opportunities for either team, but the visitors started to force the play in the second period.

Ryan Mule and Ryan Harrow took control of midfield, while Billy Bush put in a man-of-the-match performance just behind hard working forwards Luke Stearn and Tommy Miller.

Ashley Botton was always threatening on the right but the deadlock was broken by a sweet strike from Tommy Bates, coming in from the left flank and striking from the edge of the area.

Stearn was unlucky not to make it 2-0, shooting just over after a superb passing move involving six players.

Red Lodge's had a player red-carded for dissent, killing any chance of a comeback.

Goalkeeper Aaron Smith kept his second clean sheet of the season despite playing with an injury.

West Wrattling 2 Royston Tn 5
CAMBRIDGE & DISTRICT COLTS LEAGUE,
UNDER-13A

WRATTING delivered one of

their best performances to push Royston all the way.

The first half saw the visitors secure an early lead, but Wrattling took the game to Royston and created a number of chances to secure an equaliser.

Their workrate continued in the second half, with new signing Chinomso Nkem-Peul and Ethan Murphy in fine form, linking up for Murphy to score twice.

Royston were always a threat and a well-taken second goal and a soft third saw them retain their lead.

Wrattling pressured to the end, but were stung by two late goals to secure the game for Royston – the fifth being an excellent break down the pitch and a superb finish.

The result flattered Royston, with Wrattling matching them all the way. Ethan Murphy and Nkem-Peul shared man of the match.

West Wrattling 4 Aztecs 1
CAMBS MINI LEAGUE, UNDER-11B

JACK Lisher scored all four as Wrattling came from behind to defeat Aztecs.

The hosts fell behind in the 12th minute, but it took only 90 seconds for Lisher to equalise.

His second three minutes later ensured Wrattling were in front at half time, and two goals after the break put a gloss on the scoreline.

Ben Crouch was man of the match for Wrattling.

» Football



Cutting it: Craig Cutts (partially hidden) scores the first HSA goal. Picture: Gary Brown (CP)

Cutts lays down the Law

■ From back page

free kick, Liam Cutts found Jon Welsh, who found Owen Longley with a 50-yard diagonal ball. Longley then played the perfect header into the path of Craig Cutts, who rounded the keeper to score.

Adam Palmer replaced man of the match Craig Cutts up front and carried on where he had left off. First he was denied by a post before Hunt set him free and his shot went through the Lawford keeper and over the line.

HSA's final goal was a deserved

second for Halls. Tommy Hardwick found the forward who beat a couple of defenders and rounded the keeper before hitting the net.

Lawford regained some pride when a whipped ball in was turned into his own net by the otherwise excellent Strutton, before the away side were reduced to 10 men when a forward was dismissed for needlessly leaving a foot in on Longley.

But Gibson added a second for the 10 men, beating Liam Cutts with a clever lob.

» Youth rugby

Crawshaw try kick-starts a Haverhill romp

Witham 15 Haverhill 82
UNDER-15

Haverhill showed self-belief from the start as they overpowered the hosts.

Dan Crawshaw made a powerful and clever jinking run to score the first try, and Haverhill built on that thanks to dominant forward play.

They also moved the ball well through the hands and looked dangerous with every attack. They continued to cross the gain line, and support play through the phases allowed the try count to rise at a steady rate.

Witham battled well, but by half time Haverhill were running away with the match. The second half saw Haverhill balance up the sides by lending Witham players, and a more even contest then developed. But Haverhill still looked strong with ball in hand and the team worked well as a unit.

Among the try-scorers were Brad Call, James Carr, Aiden Petty, Lester Cuasay and Crawshaw.

The best move saw man of the match Harry Collins gather an awkward offload after a good break by Cuasay and then crash over from five metres.

Other notable performances came from Aiden Petty, with determined tackling, Charlie Blick for his work in the loose, Kit Browne for his performance at scrum-half, Mitchell Morgan for his support play and Bradley Richardson for his steady work playing out of position.

» Darts results

Haverhill Charity Winter Darts League

ESMCA 8 Rovers (Pirates) 0

Singles: M Suffling (134, 140) bt V Tokley, S Young (100x3, 140) bt S Linnane (100), S Wells (100x3, 121, 140) bt M Austin (100), D Fish (walkover).

Pairs: R Phillips (100, 121) & D Fish (100, 140x2) bt V Tokley (100, 140) & M Austin (100), S Young & S Wells (walkover).

Triples: P Huggill (100), D MacPhail (100) & S Dickson bt M Austin, S Linnane & V Tokley.

Fours: S Young, S Wells, K Pike & P Huggill (walkover).

Captains' Cup: S Young (ESMCA).

Rose & Crown B 0 White Hart 8

Singles: B Ellis lost to D Russell (100x2, 123), V Chapman lost to R Skeggs-Terry (100x2, 121, 180), K Gaylor lost to D Flynn (100, 125, 140), C Chapman (100, 140) lost to G Flynn (100x5).

Pairs: G Evans (135) & B Ellis (132) lost to D Russell (100x2, 140) & D Flynn, K Gaylor (100) & C Chapman (100) lost to G Flynn (100x2, 140, 180) & R Skeggs-Terry.

Triples: B Ellis, C Chapman & G Evans lost to M Jones (135), D Russell (100) & D Flynn (100).

Fours: V Chapman, B Ellis, K Gaylor (121) & G Evans lost to R Skeggs-Terry, G Flynn (100x2, 120), M Jones & D Russell (100, 140).

Captains' Cup: G Evans (Rose & Crown B).

ESMC B 6 The Punch 2

Singles: W Bloomfield (100x4) bt R Frewer (100x3, 121), R Watson (100x5, 140) bt A Yates, T Bright (100) bt I Clarke

(120, 128), J Lewis (100, 121, 140) lost to P Cage.

Pairs: J Lewis (100x3, 125) & T Bright (100x2) bt P Cage & I Clarke (100), R Watson (100x3) & W Bloomfield (100, 125) bt R Frewer (125) & B Marlow.

Triples: T Bright (140), R Watson (100) & W Bloomfield (140) bt A Yates, S Hemingway & S Manning.

Fours: W Bloomfield (100), J Lewis (100), T Bright (100x2) & N Skeggs-Terry lost to P Cage (101, 132), A Yates, R Frewer & I Clarke (121).

Captains' Cup: R Frewer (Punch).

Rose & Crown B 1 Rose & Crown A 7

Singles: B Ellis lost to D Simpkin (100, 140x2), G Evans lost to A Pordage (100x2, 140x2), C Chapman (120) lost to M Fitzsimons (100x2), K Gaylor lost to P Dewing (100x2).

Pairs: B Ellis (125) & C Chapman (105, 121, 140) lost to D Simpkin (135, 140x2) & A Pordage (100x2, 105, 121), V Chapman & G Evans (3) lost to C Dale (140x3) & M Fitzsimons.

Triples: V Chapman (105), G Evans & K Gaylor bt P Dewing, S Terry & V Skeggs-Terry.

Fours: G Evans (100), V Chapman, C Chapman (100x2) & B Ellis lost to C Dale (105, 140), P Dewing (121), V Skeggs-Terry & S Terry.

Captains' Cup: G Evans (Rose & Crown B).

Rovers (Pirates) 2 Punch 6

Singles: R Hutton lost to A Yates (100, 140), M Tokley lost to R Frewer (100x2, 125), V Tokley (100, 125, 140) bt I Clarke (107, 140), M Austin bt P Cage.

Pairs: V Tokley (100x2) & M Ashford lost to A Yates & R Frewer (100, 123), J Linnane & M Austin (116) lost to I Clarke (135) & B Marlow (138).

Triples: M Tokley, R Hutton & M Holbrook (135) lost to R Frewer (100x2), A Yates & S Manning.

Fours: V Tokley (100), R Hutton, M Holbrook & J Linnane lost to I Clarke (125), P Cage, S Manning & B Marlow (100).

Captains' Cup: R Frewer (Punch).

White Hart 4 ESMC B 4

Singles: R Skeggs-Terry (100, 104, 122) lost to J Lewis (100x2, 118, 180), D Russell (100x2, 140) bt T Bright (100x3), G Flynn (100x4, 140) bt R Watson (100x3), D Flynn (100) lost to W Bloomfield (100x3).

Pairs: D Russell (100x2, 180) & G Flynn (100, 140, 165) bt R Watson (100x2, 140) & W Bloomfield (100, 139), D Flynn (100x2) & R Skeggs-Terry (100) lost to S Monk (100x3) & T Bright (100).

Triples: G Flynn (145), D Russell (100) & D Flynn lost to R Watson (140, 111out), T Bright (100x2) & S Monk.

Fours: D Flynn, R Skeggs-Terry, G Flynn (100x3, 123) & D Russell (100) bt T Bright, W Bloomfield, S Monk & J Lewis.

Captains' Cup: D Flynn (White Hart).

» How they stand

Division One									
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts		
ESMC B.....	8	6	2	0	50	14	20		
Rose & Crown A.....	7	5	1	1	34	22	16		
White Hart.....	8	4	3	1	41	23	15		
ESMC A.....	7	4	2	1	38	18	14		
Punch A.....	8	3	0	5	27	37	9		
Rovers Pirates.....	8	1	0	7	13	51	3		
Rose & Crown B.....	8	0	0	8	13	51	0		

Captains' Cup									
	P	W	L	Pts					
Punch A.....	8	8	0	16					
ESMC A.....	7	6	1	12					
Rose & Crown B.....	8	5	3	10					
Rose & Crown A.....	7	3	4	6					
White Hart.....	8	3	5	6					
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» **Football:** Latest from the New Croft

Hammatt rues lack of quality

Rovers lack cutting edge in home defeat

**Haverhill Rov 0
Stanway Rov 2**
THURLOW NUNN LEAGUE,
PREMIER DIVISION

IT was a tough afternoon for Haverhill's new manager Kieron Hammatt as his first game in charge ended in defeat.

Rovers struggled to get their passing game going on a difficult pitch and in the 22nd minute the visitors opened the scoring from a corner.

Dan Cornwell hit the post for Rovers after being put through on goal but, despite an improved display in the second half, Rovers went 2-0 down when Dan Morphew conceded a penalty and the

spot kick was duly converted. "It was one of those days," said Hammatt. "We gave it a really good go in the second half and didn't give up, but we didn't have enough quality around the box to get us the goals.

"We could have been playing out there all week and I still don't think we would have scored. Individual mistakes cost us the goals.

"There are lots of positives there but we need to eradicate the silly mistakes and stop conceding silly goals. We always look dangerous going forward."

Haverhill travel to high-flying Mildenhall in the league on Saturday.

Cutts lays down the Law

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HSA's fourth successive victory helped them cement a spot in the promotion places in the Premier Division.

Lawford belied their lowly league position by having much the better of the opening quarter of the match, but once Craig Cutts had collected a loose ball and fired into an unguarded net from 35 yards, HSA took control.

Two minutes later keeper Liam Cutts' long goal kick caused confusion in the

Lawford defence and Harry Halls latched on to the ball and finished from an acute angle to double the lead.

The home side started to settle and play some good football, and the third goal came just before half time when Paul Hunt's slide rule pass found Craig Cutts, who unleashed a powerful 25-yard finish, giving the keeper no chance.

The game was effectively over five minutes into the second period. Lawford thought they had pulled a goal back, but it was ruled out for offside. From the

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Head boy: Marcus Hunt wins an aerial duel for Haverhill Rovers against Stanway
Picture: Gary Brown (CP)



» **Golf**

It's all coming up Roses for Condon

JACKIE Condon was five shots clear of the field in winning the Rosebowl final at Haverhill Golf Club.

Condon had a round of 94-16-78 to take the honours in the competition for Ladies Medal winners from throughout the 2012/13 season.

In second place was Pat Kennedy with 99-16-83, ahead of Lyn Fish (104-21-83) on countback.

Anthony Choat came out on top of the Men's Midweek Medal.

In a reduced field of 20, Choat just had the edge on countback with a nett 73.

Results – Division One: 1 Dennis Harkness 85-6-79, 2 Gordon Price 95-10-85. Division Two: 1 Anthony Choat 90-17-73, 2 Ted Fairhead 86-13-73, 3 Mark Wells 94-20-74. Division Three: 1 Graham Hepworth 102-21-81, 2 John Grainger 102-22-80, 3 Keith McCallum 123-25-98.

The Asco Cup finally went ahead on Sunday, having been rescheduled three times, and Terry Bishop and Murray Mckenzie were the winners.

The format is foursomes medal, with a handicap limit of 18, half combined, and Bishop and Mckenzie won by three shots with an excellent round of 87-18-69.

Runners-up were Gerry Scott and Lewis Whiting, who had the best score on the back nine to clinch second with 77-5-72, ahead of Roger Hartley and Dave Cohen (87-15-72) on countback.

The Seniors' Nine-hole Stableford qualifier was played on Monday and the winner with 19 points was Jim Mulley, who has reduced his handicap by one shot to 23.

Second was Gordon Thomas on 17, with Norman White third on 16.

» **Round-up**

Teams draw blank

Haverhill's hockey and rugby teams were beaten without getting on the scoresheet on Saturday.

The ladies' hockey first team went down 5-0 to Royston in the East Women's League, Division 2SW, while the seconds were beaten 4-0 by Framlingham II in the Suffolk League, Premier Division.

The seconds trailed 2-0 at the break but performed better in the second half, with Aisha Shu hitting a post and several other chances being created, while Framlingham added two more.

Players of the match were captain Nicole Bailey and goalkeeper Lisa Smith.

Meanwhile, in rugby's Greene King IPA Eastern Counties Two, Haverhill were beaten 48-0 at Norwich Union.

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